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Public Notices.

THE QUEEN'S ROYAL THEATRE.
Seventh Appearance of Mr. T. C. KING, who, having recovered from his recent illness, is engaged for twelve nights.
Every Evening (SATURDAY), DEC. 17th, 1859,
On THIS EVENING (SATURDAY), DEC. 17th, 1859,
The Performance will commence with the Nautical Drama of
BLACK-EYED SUSAN.
William, - - Mr. T. C. King,
Black-Eyed Susan, - - Miss Annie Parker.
To be followed by the laughable Farce of
THE TRUMPETER'S WEDDING.
Tom Tallboy, - - Mr. W. Ellerton.
GRAND BALLET DIVERTISSEMENT—Miss Merriton and the Corps de Ballet.
To be followed by the laughable Farce entitled
DID YOU EVER SEND YOUR WIFE TO DOLLYMOUNT?
Mr. Honeyburn, - - Mr. W. Ellerton.
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RETURN VISIT
OF THE
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The FIRST GRAND DAY PERFORMANCE will take place on SATURDAY, December 31, commencing at Half-past Two.
Notice.—In answer to the many Inquiries, the New Song, "NELLY GRAY," composed expressly by W. M. BALFE, Esq., for Mr. J. W. Raynor, will be Sung on the First Evening of the Christy's Minstrels' Return Visit to Dublin, the 26th instant, at the Rotundo.
Secretary, H. MONTAGUE.

ROTUNDO—POSITIVELY THE LAST NIGHT.
THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING, DECEMBER 16,
MR. HENRY
Will give his last Evening exposition, at a Quarter past Eight. Doors open at Half-past Seven.
Sale—A Day Exhibition will take plac To-Morrow (SATURDAY) at Two o'Clock, being the last in Dublin.
Admission to the Evening Demonstration—Front seats, 2s; second seats, 1s; schools and children, half price.
Admission to the Morning Exhibition—2s; schools nd children, 1s.

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On THIS SATURDAY EVENING, 17th instant,
And every Evening during the week,
PROFESSOR LOVER,
(Editor of Moore's Irish Melodies),
Will give his READINGS and VOCAL ILLUSTRATIONS of
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With Critical, Historical, and Suggestive Observations on the manner of Singing them.
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REV. WM. GORMAN WILL PREACH (D.V.) ON TO-MORROW EVENING, December 18th, at Seven o'clock.
Subject—"The Abuse of the Doctrine of Grace."
After the Service a Prayer Meeting will be held, to implore the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS
The Committee of the Dublin Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals beg to make an earnest appeal to the friends of humanity for support, to enable them to continue to carry out the objects of a society whose operations continue in active and efficient progress.
The funds to the credit of the society are at present so low that unless a humane public will come forward with that assistance which the society so highly deserves, the committee will most reluctantly be compelled to relinquish their trust, and discontinue their exertions for the alleviation of the sufferings of the brute creation.
The smallest donation or subscription will be thankfully received by any of the committee; by the bankers, Messrs. LaTouche, Castle-street; Messrs. Ball & Co., Henry-street; by the collector, Mr. L. Gaynor; or by the honorary secretary.
(By order of the Committee)
THOMAS F. BRADY, Hon. Secretary.
Office, 48, Lower Sackville-street,
December, 1859.

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This Company has been formed for the purpose of working the Lead Mines known as the Castleward Sett, and which comprise a portion of three townlands, and range over an area of a square mile, situate about a mile north of the town of Strangford Lough, in the county of Down.
An agreement for a Lease has been obtained from Lord Bangor, for a term of 21 years, at a Royalty of one-fifteenth, the interest of which has been purchased by this Company, together with a 40-horse power Steam Engine, Pumps, and other Machinery now at the Mines.
This property, previous to the assignment to this Company, was in the hands of a few speculators, who commenced operations and sunk to the depth of ten fathoms on the lode, and so far as the trifling operations went, fully proved the Sett to be worthy of further outlay; but for want of capital, or some other cause, the operations came to a speedy termination, and remained in abeyance until the property in question was placed in the hands of the Mineral Exploring Company, from whom, after the most careful and satisfactory investigations, the present promoters have agreed to become the purchasers for £1,000, to include the Steam Engine and Machinery now on the premises.
The geological formation of the district is most favourable, and the Mineral Exploring Company have, on careful examination of the estate, fully satisfied the promoters that this Mine is on the run of lodes which lie between Newtownards, northof Strangford Lough, and Ardglass to the South, where they again crop out at the beach, as may be seen on reference to Griffith's Geological Map. The Newtownards Mine has, on a trifling outlay, yielded within a short time a sum of £48,000.
The local advantages of this Mine are very considerable, situate within a few yards of the sea beach, where there is an excellent quay, at which vessels of moderate tonnage can load or discharge at all seasons of the year, free of any local or harbour dues. In addition to these important advantages, the Sett is surrounded by Lord Bangor's demesne, from which an unlimitted supply of timber, suitable for Mining purposes, can be had at moderate prices, and labour in this district is both abundant and cheap.
As to the details of the Mining operations already done on this Sett, all particulars are given in the Reports of the Mining Engineers.
The promoters have completed their arrangements with the Mineral Exploring Company, and are now in possession of the property, and purpose forthwith to commence operations.
The Capital of the Company has been fixed at £10,000, in 10,000 Shares of £1 each. Of this, £1,000 in cash is to be given to the Mineral Exploring Company for the purchase of the Mine, including Steam Engine, Plant, and all other Machinery now on the premises; and 1,000 Free Shares are to be allotted to the promoters in lieu of all preliminary expenses of every kind, including Law Costs and other incidental expenses attending the formation of the Company, so that all moneys received on Shares shall be applied to the future purposes of the Company.
A Deposit of 10s. per Share to be paid on allotment, and the remaining 10s. will be called up as required; but no call is to exceed 5s., and an interval of at least three months must elapse between each call.
Prospectuses, Mining Reports, and Forms of Application for Shares, can be had at the Company's Office, 9, Westmoreland-street; or at the respective Offices of the Solicitor or Stockbrokers of the Company, Dublin; Messrs. MURLAND and NEILSON, Solicitors, Downpatrick; Messrs. T. BUSSELL, and J. CUNNINGHAM and Co., Sharebrokers, Belfast.

MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.
On 24th, 25th, and 26th DECEMBER, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class RETURN TICKETS will be issued from all stations, at a
SINGLE FARE for the DOUBLE JOURNEY,
and will be available for Return by any Train (according to Class) up to and including TUESDAY, the 27th DECEMBER, 1859; and 1st and 2nd Class RETURN TICKETS (at the usual Fares) issued from FRIDAY, the 23rd, to MONDAY, the 26th DECEMBER, 1859, will be available up to and including MONDAY, 2nd JANUARY, 1860.
W. FORBES, Manager.
Broadstone, Dublin,
9th December, 1859.

MIDLAND GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.
SLIGO COACH.
On and after MONDAY NEXT, the 19th instant, the Coach now leaving SLIGO at 8-15 a.m. will start at 8 o'clock, and will arrive in LONGFORD in time for the Up Train due in DUBLIN at 6 o'clock p.m.
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Sermons.

DUBLIN MARINERS' CHURCH
Forbes-street, (off Sir John's-quay, near Ringsend Docks.)
On SUNDAY NEXT, December 18th, D.V., a Sermon will be preached in the above Church, by the Rev. J. G. Scott (Curate of St. Anne's), after which, a Collection will be made towards maintaining the Church and its missionary and useful agencies for the benefit of Seamen (including a valuable free Evening School, Lending Library, constant visitation on board ships, the circulation of the Holy Scriptures, and of religious and instructive books and tracts, &c.) All this work depends for its support on voluntary contributions, and is at present in urgent need of assistance, as there is a deficiency of more than £100. Many of our seafaring brethren, frequenters of the Mariners' Church, have been exposed to the perils and sufferings of the late disastrous gales—this reflection alone ought to draw forth cordial sympathy and assistance.
Subscriptions and Donations will be thankfully received by Messrs. LaTouche, Bank, Castle-street, to the account of the "Port of Dublin Society," by Captain Jaans, R.N, Charlemont-terrace, Ranelagh-road; William Walsh, Esq, 23, Lower Mount-street; the Rev. Andrew Campbell, Hon. Sec, 6, Cranmer-place; or by the Collector, Mr. Henry Hillsworth.
Service to commence at Eleven o'clock.

CONTROVERSIAL SERMONS ON SUNDAY, DEC. 18, 1859.
I C M T R C.
1. Mission Building, 27, Townsend-street, 11-30, a.m.—Rev. H. C. EADS, M.A., Missionary Secretary to the Society.
Subject.—"The wise choice for old and young."—Heb. xi. 25.
2. Mission Building, 7 p.m., Rev. JAMES ROGERS, A.M., ex schol., I.C.M.
Subject.—"The Immaculate Conception—The new dogma five years old!"
3. St. Thomas' Church, Marlborough-street, 7 p.m., Rev. A. W. LEE, A.B., S.T.C.D.
Subject.—"Infallibility."
Did Christ establish an Infallible Church on Earth?
1. When Roman Catholics discover that it is a sin to worship a consecrated wafer, or to pray to creatures, or to bow down and confess to a sinful mortal like themselves, ought they not follow the example of Moses in Egypt and forsake all to belong to Christ?—Heb. xi. 24-27. Dr. Cullen's Bible.
Ought not Roman Catholics esteem the reproach of Christ greater riches thap the treasures of Rome with the worship of Mary?
II. When and where did God ever give to any bishop or number of bishops the power to make a new article of the faith? Was the Bishop of Rome infallible without a council?
Does not Mr. Pierse Creagh say that "infallibility can only exist in a general council of all the bishops of Christendom duly convened and presided over by the Pope"? Does he not, then, hold that the Bishop of Rome was not infallible when he made the new dogma five years ago without "a general council duly convened"?
Must Mr. P. Creagh and others be lost for ever for not believing what one man decreed, without infallibility, five years ago?
Will God condemn any man for not believing what he never revealed nor required?
III. If church infallibility be found only in a general council, what did the early Christians do before the first General Council at Nice, in A.D. 325.
If Christ appointed an infallible church and judge on earth, why can neither Dr. Cullen nor his priests prove the fact by any credible evidence?
If men have certainty of being saved through believing in Christ, since God has said it, why need they seek for infallibility, when God has not given it?
St. Peter said—"It shall come to pass that whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved!"—Acts ii. 21, Dr. Cullen's Bible.
And St. Paul—"Believe in the Lord Jesus and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."—Acts xvi. 31, Dr. Cullen's Bible.
Why are you not content with this infallible promise without an infallible church, council, bishop, or pope.?
Roman Catholic friends, hear and judge, asking God for Christ's sake to give you the Holy Spirit.

Appeals.

PROTESTANT REFORMATORY SCHOOLS
Under 21st and 22nd Victoria, c. 103.
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His Grace the LORD ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN.
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Few persons need to be convinced that the first offence committed by juvenile offenders is also the first step towards rendering them a burden as well as a pest to society. The records of our prisons prove how frequently it occurs that a mere child has spent two or three years in prison (under successive convictions), acquiring there a greater knowledge of crime, and has returned to liberty only more qualified to pursue a career of vice, no suitable instrumentality having been employed to attempt his reformation, or any fair opportunity afforded him of returning to the path of rectitude; and thus he advances from one stage of criminality to another, till all human hope of amendment seems at an end.
The unparalleled success which has attended the reformatory system, lately introduced into the convict prisons in Ireland, called attention to this subject. Under that system (the substitute for transportation) not eight per cent. of those subjected to it have relapsed into crime. The law now enables us to apply the same plan to the less hardened and more impressible *juvenile* offender. By a recent Act of Parliament, those poor children, who are detected in the commission of offences to which the inexperience of childhood, or the incentive of evil example, had enticed them, instead of being committed to the common gaol, may be sent, for periods varying from one to five years, to reformatory schools, which must, however, be suitably fitted up, and a complete staff provided, before they can be recognised by Government. When such a school has been inspected, and certified by the Chief Secretary, thenceforward Government will pay 7s. per week for each inmate; and thus, as the numbers increase, the demand on private benevolence will diminish. While, therefore, the first establishment and outfit constitutes the chief expense, still, until the number of inmates shall increase to such an extent as to render these institutions self-supporting, it will be necessary to call upon the public to afford continued and liberal assistance.
Encouraged by the liberal assistance of benevolent individuals in Dublin and its vicinity, the Committee have established both male and female schools; the one at Rehoboth-place, South Circular-road, and the other at 104, Cork-street. Both these Schools are now ready; and, having been duly inspected and certified, pursuant to the statute, are open for the admission of offenders. But the necessary expenditure, including a fine of £500 paid for premises with a sufficient quantity of ground to afford employment for the boys, has exhausted the funds. The male school is still but scantily supplied with requisites; and it will be necessary to surround the premises with a boundary wall, and to effect some other alterations, before the establishment can be looked upon as completed for all the purposes designed.
By the Act it is provided that all these children must be sent to a "Reformatory under the exclusive management of persons of the same religious persuasion as the offender." Roman Catholic Reformatories have been established by very liberal contributions in Dublin and other parts of Ireland; and it would have been lamentable, indeed, if Protestants had provided no such asylum, and had left the poor of their own Church to become inmates of a gaol, in the absence of such a refuge.
The Committee have undertaken this responsibility "in full confidence in the co-operation of the Protestants of Ireland; and they have no hesitation in asking aid for an object calculated not only to benefit society, by the diminution of crime, but to save from ruin many an immortal soul, placed in peril by evil companionship or parental neglect.
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1. POLICIES NOT VOID BY LIMITS OR RESIDENCE BEING EXCEEDED. If, after a Policy has been *bona fide* assigned, the Life Insured exceeds the limits of residence without the necessary permission having first been obtained, the Holder will not, on that account, lose his interest in the Assurance, provided he informs the Society of the circumstance within ten days of its becoming known to him, and pays the extra rate required for the additional risk.
2. SUSPENSION OF PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS. In the event of an Insurer being unable, from some temporary cause, to pay the next premium, the Directors, upon application being made within the days of grace, will, under certain fixed conditions, extend the time for payment, for any period not exceeding six months, without requiring the Insured to procure a Medical Certificate of health, or subjecting the Policy to the risk of forfeiture.
3. FREE POLICIES. In the event of a with-profit Insurer, who has not received *cash* bonuses, being unable from any cause to keep up his Policy, the Directors will grant him a FREE POLICY, that is, a Policy *exempted from future payments*, for such a sum as 40 per cent. of the total premiums he may have paid would insure; or, if insured without profits, for such a sum as 55 per cent., of the premiums paid would insure. Thus—Suppose a with-profit Insurer 29 years of age, after having paid say £100, in Premiums, is unable longer to continue his payments, and desires to exchange his present Policy for a Free Policy; the Directors would (provided he had not benefited by cash bonuses) grant him one, for such a sum as a Single Premium of £40 will insure at age 29, namely, about £100, being *the whole amount of Premiums he would have paid.* Free Policies at other ages would be granted on the same principle.
4. SURRENDER OF POLICIES FOR CASH. Should circumstances render it preferable, Insurers may receive a liberal sum in cash for the surrender of their Policies to the Society.
Full Prospectuses, Forms of Proposal for Assurance, and every information may be obtained on application to any of the Company's Agents.
AGENTS FOR DUBLIN:
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ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED AND NINETY THOUSAND POUNDS.
Insurances of every kind effected on the most favourable terms.
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THE 20TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
LIFE ASSOCIATION OF SCOTLAND.
FOUNDED 1838,
Empowered by Royal Charter and Act of Parliament,
was held at the Head Office, on the 9th August, 1859, when a highly satisfactory state of the affairs was reported.

DURING the last Year the applications for NEW LIFE ASSURANCES were	1200,	for	£614,618 4 8
Of which the Directors accepted	1011,	for	£486,639 4 3
THERE were only 81 DEATHS during the Year amongst the Assured, covered by 100 Policies, for			£33,281 19 7
(According to the Mortality Table there should have fallen, during the year, 133 Policies, for £57,600.)			
The ASSOCIATION have paid *to the Representatives* of Deceased Policy-holders SUMS ASSURED to the amount of			£279,620 10 4
The ANNUAL INCOME is now			£151,078 15 2

The PROGRESSIVE INCREASE of the Business has been as follows:—

Assurances since December, 1838, to these dates.			Annual Income.
5th April, 1841	149	for £75,699	£2,709
1847	895	" 489017	14,630
1853	6,094	" 2,320,938	67,536
1859	12,220	" 5,356,643	151,078

The ASSETS and LIABILITIES having been carefully valued, the usual Annual Allocation of Profits amongst the Policy-holders has been made; and the Directors are fully warranted in declaring a REDUCTION or 37½ PER CENT. (or 7s. 6d. per £1), on the Premiums payable in the year ending 5th April, 1860, on Participating Policies opened on or before 5th April, 1854. *This Reduction is 2½ per cent. greater than in any former year.* Policy-holders whose Premiums are £50, £20, or £10, will thus be called on to pay only £31 5s., £12 10s., or £6 5s., respectively.
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Fee, Ten Shillings. A guarantee given for the Cure.
Country Patients, by forwarding the Fee with full particulars of their complaint, will be promptly attended to.
Consultation Daily from Nine in the Morning till Nine at Night. On Sundays till Two o'clock.
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IT IS A FACT WORTHY OF RECORDING, that in the 11th Century, and in an enlightened country like ours, the treatment resorted to by the Faculty for the Cure of Indigestion is altogether wrong in theory, and betrays fearful ignorance of the Physiology of the Digestive Organs and the Stomach, and, in almost every instance, confirms the malady it should remove. The Secretary of the "Liverpool Botanic Institute" will gladly and promptly forward, free of cost to all who apply, Professor Beaumont's never-failing Botanic Remedy for all Diseases arising from Indigestion, such as "Flatulency Wind in the Stomach, Bilious and Liver Complaints, Elements of Sickness and Nervous or Sick Headache. One ingredient used in this remedy was discovered by Professor Beaumont while on a tour through the Rocky woods of America; and the recipe was forwarded to the Directors of the "Liverpool Botanic Institute," at whose cost it is made known to the Public; and they wish it to be distinctly understood that, under no circumstance whatever will they accept any fee, reward, or contribution for the recipe, their object being to show how far superior the Botanic practice is over all the other practices of medicine. All they wish is, that those who may be benefited thereby will communicate the same, in order that the Public may know the value of this remarkable discovery. Address, enclosing stamped envelope—"The Secretary of the Botanic Institute, Liverpool."

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These fashionable articles of Dress, in a great variety of Materials, cut and made by ROGERS, BAKER, AND CO., the Cloak Makers, of Grafton-street. The above extremely low prices are for PROMPT CASH.
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FELT HATS! FELT HATS!!
The Largest Selection of
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In all the New Shapes. Prices very moderate.
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WE HAVE BOYS', YOUTHS', AND MEN'S,
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THE MATERIALS AND HAND SEWING EXCELLENT,
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WINTER TROUSERS from Ten Shillings and Threepence, to Twenty-one Shillings.
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WINTER OVERCOATS in the newest varieties.
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HATS AND CLOTH CAPS.
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READY-MADE DEPARTMENT.
In no branch of my Establishment is a larger saving realised in buying Ready-made Garments than in Boys' Clothes. The advantages of Cutting Out a number of Garments together ensure a large saving to my Customers. In stating that the Youths' Department is in every leading article fully supplied, I would particularly call attention to the Eton Jacket and Youths' inverness Capes, as leading styles for the Winter.
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The above was never more perceptible than in the Improved Style of Cost-Cutting
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Every description of Silver Mountings, for Crimean, Turkish, and other Medals, same as supplied by him to the 8th Royal Irish Lancers and other Regiments.
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Watches taken in exchange. Gold and Silver bought.
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Gold Watches, made either by Mottu or Moulinie a Geneve, from £8 8s. upwards.
Second-class, but good serviceable Gold Watches, from £6.
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A great variety of beautiful Patterns; Electro-Plated Cruet Frames, Salvers, Toast Racks, Cake Baskets, Table and Dessert Forks, Fruit Knives and Forks, in cases, &c., &c.
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EDUCATION.—A Married Beneficed Clergyman, residing in one of the healthiest suburbs of Dublin, wishes to receive TWO PUPILS, to have educated with his own sons. His residence is within five minutes' walk of an excellent and very select Day School, which his own children attend; and in the evening they are prepared by himself for their next day's study, thus combining all the advantages of both public and private education.
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DUBLIN MONEY MARKET.—DECEMBER 16.

The English Funds, at the opening in London, were ¼ per cent. better than yesterday. At noon this advance was lost; since then no quotations came from London, up to the close of the Stock Exchange business here, owing to some stoppage in the Telegraphic wires. Consols were not quoted here for cash, but for account the cash price of yesterday was obtained; New Threes advanced a sixteenth for cash, but not dealt in for account; no dealings recorded in Local or Railway Debentures to-day; several of the latter are on the market; no dealings recorded in Joint-Stock Banks; Nationals are wanted at last price, 60; in Steam Shares, British and Irish for sale; City of Dublin £100 Shares declined £1 10s; Liverpool Ship Building Shares advanced 15s; Glasgow Steam Shares wanted; Dundalk Steams for sale. In Miscellaneous Shares—Canal Stock declined 3s; National Insurance for Sale; Patriotics wanted; Gas Shares not dealt in to-day. In Mines—Carysforts steady at 10s 6d; Connerees improved 3d, at the price, 15s. 6d., they are firm; General Mines in good demand at an advance of 10s.; Mining Company of Ireland sellers at 14, the last price would be given for them; Wicklow Coppers sellers at 56; In Railways—Ballymenas declined 5s., compared with the last price of the half shares; County Downs for sale; Cork and Bandons advanced 10s.; Passage sellers; Belfast Junctions steady at last price; Drogheda for sale; Kingstown Stock steady; Wicklows sellers; Dundalks sellers at 15½; Cashel Stock advanced 15s; South Easterns sellers; Killarneys steady; Midlands advanced an eighth, the half shares steady; Tralee Shares asked for; Kilkenny Stock steady; Limericks sellers at last price. In Preference Railway Shares—Wicklows advanced 5s.; Dundalks, Class A, steady; Cashel Four per Cents. in good demand at par; Limericks steady.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE—FRIDAY.

OPENING PRICES.

Consols Money and Account	95¼
Account	95¼
New Threes	95¼
NOON PRICES.	
Consols, Money	shut.
Consols for Account,	95¼
New Threes,	95¼
ONE P.M. PRICES.	
Consols Money	95¼
Account,	95¼
New Threes	95¼
2.15 P.M. PRICES.	
Consols Money	95¼
Account,	95¼
New Threes	95¼
CLOSING PRICES.	
Consols, Money	
Account	95¼
New Threes	95¼

NOON SUMMARY.—Exchequer Bills, 29 31; Caledonians, 93¾; Eastern Counties, 50¾ 51; Great Western, 69¾ 70; Grand Trunks, 43¾ 44; Lancashire and Yorkshire, 108½; London and North Western, 99; London and South Western, 98; Leeds Northern, 46; Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire, 57½; Midland Stock, 109½; North British, 63¾; South Eastern, 54¾ 55; York, Newcastle and Berwick, 38½; Lombards Venetian, 10¾. Consols opened firm, with an advance of ¼ on the closing quotations of yesterday; but have given way again. They quoted 95¼ to ¾, cash, and now 95¼ to ¾. There is very little doing. Indian Scrip 104½ to ¾. Shares, and much business doing. The accounts respecting the cessation of cholera, and old stocks have declined ¼ to ¾ per cent. Dover and Caledonians firm. French steady and inactive.

ENGLISH FUNDS.

CITY, FRIDAY EVENING.—The funds have been freely supported to-day, at yesterday's prices, but there has been no revival of business in this department. The Railway market only moderately active. On this (settling day) a partial reaction is observable. Most of the leading stocks are quoted one-fourth per cent. lower.

RAILWAYS AND SHARES.

Ambery, Nottingham, and Eastern Junction, 6½ ½; Caledonians, 93¾ 4; Chester and Holyhead, 50 1; Eastern Counties, 50¾; Great Northern, 106½; Great Northern, A, 95 6; Great Western, of Canada, 13¾ ¾; Grand Trunks, 43¾ ½; Lancashire and Yorkshire, 99¾ 100; London and North Western, 99 99½; London and South Western, 98 ½; Edinburgh and Glasgow, 81 2; Great Northern, 69¾ 70; Great Southern and Western, 112 ½; Lancashire, 48¾ 9; Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire, 57¾ 8½; Midland, 109½ ¾; North British, 61½ ¾; South Eastern, 85½ 4½; York, Newcastle, and Berwick, 95½ ¾; York and North Midland, 79¾ ¾. Canada opened firm at 104¾, but have not maintained, closing inactive at 9¾ ¼. Indian Scrip, 104½ to ¾. In Shares there has been very little business doing, and prices in some cases are rather lower. Caledonians, Dovers, and Midlands, firm, at improved rates. French 70·60 Shares firm.

FRENCH FUNDS.

PARIS, FRIDAY, 16.—12-5 p.m.—The Bourse opened animated, and prices firm. Rentes, 70·80. 3-23 p.m.—Business has been very active, but funds have declined in consequence of a rumour that the opening of the Congress had been adjourned till two o'clock on the 22nd of January. Yesterday's improvement of one-fourth per cent. has not been maintained, and but price to-day was 70.55.

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.
(Daily News' City Article.)
Thursday Evening.

The funds to-day were firmer, and closed at a recovery of ¼ to ½ per cent. Attention was, however, again diverted from Consols to British, and some of the foreign Railway shares, on which a good deal of animation prevailed, and a further decided advance took place. The demand for money is decidedly below the average of this period of the year, and the terms for the best bills are 2½ to ½ per cent.
Times City Article.
Thursday Evening.

The English funds opened this morning with much firmness, at an advance of ¼, and were well maintained to the close, when the market presented a very steady appearance. The demand for discount was about the same as yesterday. The rate in the open market was occasionally a fraction under 2½ per cent. In the Stock Exchange the supply was abundant at ½ to 2 per cent. There was a fair amount of bullion operations at the bank to-day.

DUBLIN STOCK AND SHARE LIST.—DECEMBER 16.

GOVERNMENT FUNDS.

3 per Cent. Consols	—
Ditto for new account 8th December,	—
Ditto for new account 9th January,	95¼
New 3 per Cent. Stock	95
Ditto for account, 9th December	—
Ditto for new account, 9th January	—
STEAM.	
City of Dublin, 100l. paid	91 90 90½
Dublin and Liverpool Steam Ship Building Co., £50 paid,	54½
MISCELLANEOUS.	
Grand Canal Company £100 paid	46½
MINES.	
Carysfort Mining Company (Limited) 10s paid	10s 6d
Connoree Mining Company of Ireland (Limited) 10s paid	1s 6d
General Mining Co. of Ireland, (limited) £4 paid	¼
Ditto account,	¼
RAILWAYS.	
Belfast and Ballymena, £50 paid	43½
Cork and Bandon, £50 paid	12½
Dublin and Belfast Junction, £50 paid	44½
Dublin and Kingstown, £100 paid	196
Dundalk and Enniskillen, £30 paid	15½
Great Southern and Western Stock, £100 paid	112 112½
Killarney Junction £12 paid,	14½
Midland Great Western and Royal Canal, £50 paid	55
Ditto account,	55
Ditto, half shares, £25 paid	27½ ¾
Waterford and Kilkenny, 100l paid	13½
PREFERENCE SHARES.	
Dundalk and Enniskillen 5 per cent, perpetual paid, Class A	£10 10½ ¾

On Saturdays business commences at half-past twelve o'clock. The stock brokers' offices are closed on Saturdays at three o'clock.
The next account day for shares will be the 15th December. Names to be furnished on ⅗ before the 14th.

PRICES OF IRISH STOCKS.

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs	Frid.	Sat.
3 per cent. consols	—	95¼ ¾	—	95¾	95¼ ¾	95
Ditto Account	—	95¼	95¼	—	—	—
3 per cent. stock	—	—	—	—	—	—
New 3 percent. stock	94¼ ¾	95¼ 95	94¼ ¾	94¾	94¾ 95	94¾
Ditto Account	94¼	—	—	94¾	94¾ 95	94¾
Bank Stock	—	—	—	—	—	—

HIGH TIDE AT DUBLIN BAR—DECEMBER 17TH.
Morning Tide 4-0. Evening 4-25.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.
Diary of exhibitions, Performances, &c.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17TH.

ROYAL IRISH INSTITUTION, COLLEGE-STREET.—Professor Glover's Readings and Vocal Illustrations of the Irish Melodies. Morning performance at Half-past Two, and evening at Eight o'clock.
ROTUNDO.—Mr. Henry's Demonstrations of the Heavens, with music from Haydn's Creation. To commence at Two o'clock.

THE THEATRES.

THEATRE ROYAL.—Closed till the 26th inst., when the Christmas Pantomime will be produced.
QUEEN'S THEATRE.—To-night—"Black-eyed Susan;" "The Trumpeter's Wedding;" "Did you ever send your Wife to Dollymount;" to conclude with "Young Lochinvar."

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

No communication can receive attention unless accompanied by the name and address of the writer not necessarily for insertion but as a guarantee of good fai'h.
Rejected contributions can on no account be returned.
Announcements of births, deaths, and marriages, to insure publication, must be properly authenticated, and will be inserted gratis.

The publication of the IRISH TIMES commenced yesterday morning at 4 o'clock a.m., and terminated at half-past 9. The publication of the Second Edition commenced at 1 o'clock p.m., and the Third Edition at 4 o'clock p.m.
The circulation of the IRISH TIMES for the week ending Saturday, December 10, amounted to 50,854 copies, making an average of 8,475 copies daily.

THE SATURDAY HERALD
OF THIS DAY, DECEMBER 17th, Contains
The latest and most important news from France, Australia, India, Italy, America, &c. The War between Spain and Morocco; Royal Dublin Society Cattle Show; latest particulars of the Dungannon Tragedy; a full report of the Great Protestant Meeting in the Metropolitan Hall; Irish Church Mission Meeting in Limerick; the M'Clintock Testimonial; Death of Washington Irving; Religious Revival Movement; Present Position of Austria; Our National Defences; Meetings of the Corporation, Poor Law Guardians of the North and South Dublin Unions, Licensed Vintners' Society; Report of the Drapers' Assistants' Early Closing Society; latest particulars of the Wreck of the Royal Charter. Together with all Ecclesiastical, Legal, Military, Sporting, Naval, and Commercial Intelligence; also, all Fairs, Markets, and other Interesting News of the Week.
PRICE—2d. STAMPED—4d.
"SATURDAY HERALD" OFFICE,
4, LOWER ABBEY-STREET.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
S. OLDHAM AND SONS,
12, WESTMORELAND-STREET,
Beg to announce, that they have selected from their stock, and marked at HALF PRICE a large Variety of DRESSES and MANTLES, some of this season's, but principally of last season's patterns and styles which are well suited for the above purpose, and much better value than the low-priced goods generally sold.
N.B.—An early inspection is solicited.

MILITARY GENTLEMEN
will effect a saving of Twenty per cent. by ordering their CIVIL CLOTHING from
BROWNE AND PAYNE,
MERCHANT TAILORS,
12, & 13, LOWER SACKVILLE-STREET,
AND 70, GRAFTON-STREET,
DUBLIN.

SAMUEL M'COMAS AND SONS,
DRAPERS, MILITARY AND COURT TAILORS,
2, LOWER ABBEY-STREET, DUBLIN,
Respectfully informs Noblemen and Gentlemen visiting the city, that their present stock of
WINTER GOODS
has been selected and imported from some of the most eminent Houses of England and Scotch Manufacturers, and will be found, in quality and prices, well deserving the attention of Cash Purchasers.
Naval and Military Outfits executed on the shortest notice, and in strict conformity to the Admiralty and Whitehall regulations, issued under London Prices.

IRISH BOG OAK ORNAMENTS.
PATRONISED by the QUEEN.—SAMUELS, 29, NASSAU-STREET, Manufacturer of Bog Oak Ornaments and Working Jeweller. An assortment of Gold and Silver Watches, Gold Guards, &c., with numerous fancy articles, suitable for Presents, at remarkably Low Prices. No. 29.

PAINLESS TOOTH EXTRACTION.
By Her Majesty's Royal Letters Patent.
CARTWRIGHT AND DAVIS,
Surgical and Mechanical Dentists,
118, GRAFTON-STREET,
Sole Licensees and Patentees for Dublin of
BUNDELL'S PATENT APPARATUS
for Painless Tooth and Stump Extraction by Congelation (without Chloroform). Although simple in its action and used with the greatest facility, Messrs. C. and D. guarantee, with this invaluable Patent, perfect immunity from pain during its operation hitherto so much dreaded.
Loose Teeth, arising from any cause, fastened, and Scurvy in the gums effectually cured. Consultation free.
Stopping Decayed Teeth with Mineral Cement, each £0 5 0
A single Artificial Tooth, from 0 2 6
A Set, with Gold Plate, from 5 5 0
CARTWRIGHT AND DAVIS,
118, GRAFTON-STREET (Four Doors from College-green).

SEWING MACHINES.
IMPORTANT NOTICE.
GROVER, BAKER, AND CO., of NEW YORK, with a view to extend their Trade and its Profits, have appointed an Agency for the Sale of their "GENUINE AMERICAN SEWING MACHINES," at 69, GRAFTON-STREET, Dublin, which they have fitted up at very great expense. It is needless to say that these Machines, having been used in every branch of Trade, Commerce, Shirt, Mantle, and Cap Making, Embroidering, Tailoring, Boot and Shoe Stitching, &c., they have been found to fit the eye in the great satisfaction of those parties using them. The Ladies are requested to call and see the "NEW FAMILY MACHINE," which has just arrived, in operation, the exhibition being always courteously given, and no one is importuned to purchase.
GROVER, BAKER, AND CO.,
69, GRAFTON-STREET.

TO OUR ADVERTISERS AND THE PUBLIC.
DAILY CIRCULATION OF THE "IRISH TIMES."
SHERRARD'S PAPER MILLS,
NOVEMBER 28th, 1859.
We certify, that for the last Three Months we have regularly supplied the "IRISH TIMES" with Twelve Reams of Paper per day, each Ream containing 500 Sheets, making the total quantity supplied SIX THOUSAND SHEETS PER DAY.
THOMAS SHERRY AND SON.

82, GREAT STRAND-STREET,
NOVEMBER 29TH, 1859.
We certify that we have for a considerable time past supplied the "IRISH TIMES" with four reams of paper every day, containing TWO THOUSAND SHEETS.
S. GODFREY RYAN & CO.

The circulation of the "IRISH TIMES," is now ascertained above steadily established at
EIGHT THOUSAND COPIES PER DAY.

This continued boasts of one of our contemporaries compel us to give the above letters, as the best and most tangible proof of the circulation of this journal. They are written by two of the most respectable and extensive paper manufacturers in Ireland. On their testimony it proved that the circulation of the IRISH TIMES averages 8,000 copies each day. The whole Daily Press of Ireland, taken together, with the exception of the *Freeman's Journal*, cannot claim a circulation approaching to this.

Auctions.

Owners of Property can have their Auction Advertisement inserted as below (if not exceeding Six Lines) for One Shilling. After Six Lines at the rate of Sixpence for every additional three lines.

AUCTIONS TO BE HELD THIS DAY.

AT 4, UPPER ORMOND-QUAY.
Sale of Household Furniture, Chimney and Toilet Glasses, Brussels Tapestry, Moderateur Lamps, a Drawingroom Clock, Framed Engravings, a few articles of Silver Plate and Plated Ware, &c.
Sale to commence at 1 o'clock.

AT 20, CLANBRASSIL-TERRACE.
Sale of Household Furniture, Parlour and Drawingroom Chairs, Bedsteads, Bedding and Bedroom Furniture, Eight-day Clock, &c.
To commence at 12 o'clock.

AT 31, ANGLESEA-STREET.
Sale of a Collection of Standard Literature, Paintings, Engravings, Magic Lanterns, &c.
To commence at 1 o'clock.

AT 5, DOLIER-STREET.
Extensive Sale of Books, &c.
To commence at 1 o'clock.

AT 25, WESTMORELAND-STREET.
Continuation of Sale of superior Hosiery, Haberdashery, &c.
To commence at 12 o'clock.

AUCTION TO BE HELD ON MONDAY.

AT 13, UPPER SACKVILLE-STREET.
Sale of a large consignment of Modern Oil Paintings, by some of the most eminent artists.
To commence at 1 o'clock.

LIQUID GAS
and LAMPS for burning same may be obtained of
BEWLEY, EVANS, & CO,
78, MARY-STREET.

O'CONNOR AND HOPPER,
MILITARY AND MERCHANT TAILORS,
21, MOLESWORTH-STREET, DUBLIN,
Beg to return many sincere thanks to their Military and other patrons for their very kind support, and it shall be their study to merit a continuance of same, by unremitting attention, and providing the best materials.
O'C. & H., having conducted business in one of the largest Military Clothing Establishments in this city for several years, ensure to Gentlemen favouring them with their custom the advantage of the best Clothing, Cut in the latest Fashion, both Civil and Military, at such low prices as will be found on trial to give full satisfaction.
Mess and Servantas Liveries furnished at prices allowing the smallest possible profit.

MADAME MANJON'S MILLINERY
WAREROOMS, 48, DAWSON-STREET.
Madame Manjon begs to announce that she has received a fresh Case of MILLINERY, consisting of Straw Bonnets, Caps, Head-Dresses, &c., for which she solicits an early inspection, when Madame M. is sure her prices will be found considerably under any similar establishment.
MADAME MANJON'S Warerooms,
48, DAWSON-STREET.
(Next the Hibernian Hotel.)
N.B.—Every description of bonnet altered to the present fashion.

The Irish Times.
DUBLIN, SATURDAY, DEC. 17.

AN expression fell from the lips of one of the speakers at the Metropolitan Hall, on Thursday night, far too sweeping in its character, and unwarranted by facts. It was stated that "the Irish Roman Catholic Priesthood universally, and the Romanist laity in general, were rebels in heart and soul." Such unmitigated assertions injure the cause they are intended to sustain, and alienate from us the very persons whom it is most desirable to protect. Such assertions proceed from ignorance of the actual facts of the present movement among the Ultramontanes, a movement intended really not so much to alarm a timid Ministry as to coerce the genuine Irish Priest. There are Roman Catholic Priests in Ireland who have ever kept apart from the sphere of political agitation. There still exist Priests who confine themselves to the duties of their parish who live in charity with their Protestant fellow-subjects, and who lament the prostration of the Irish Roman Church under the heel of a swarm of foreign Priests. We have printed occasionally letters from those men, calling upon us to distinguish the Irish from the foreign Priest, and not to confound all under the name of Ultramontane. These men lament the fall of their liberties, and the overthrow of the ancient rights of the Irish branch of the Church of Rome. As in France the rights of the old Gallican Church have been completely abrogated, so the true Irish Priesthood has been sacrificed here. This is not a question so much of religion as of politics and personal interest. A Romish Bishop occupies, as he fancies, a much more influential position as an agent of Rome, than as a pastor among his people. He becomes intimately connected with "the Cardinal "who superintends Irish affairs," and is gradually separated from his Irish connexion to become a mere tool, but a gilded one, of the Papacy. If he experience difficulty with his clergy, if they prefer religion to politics, and charity to envy, Rome offers him the services of her regular army. "Redemptorists," "Dominicans," "Preachers," "Confessors," "Christian Brethren," are all ready to work upon the people and override the Priesthood. The Papal Court knew well the fitness of the agent she selected when, by appointing Paul Cullen, she usurped a right which the Roman Church in Ireland had possessed for seven centuries—that of electing her own Bishops. Since that unhappy nomination, Paul Cullen has pushed his arrogance to such a length that Cardinal Wiseman laboriously toils after him in vain. Suddenly Redemptorists and Passionists appeared in every parish of the country. They created mysticism and fanaticism among the people. Never has Rome made a demonstration like this without a definite object in view, and the object in this case was to supersede the true Irish Priest, and to compel him to become as Roman as themselves. In many cases the plan has succeeded, and this conversion of the Romish Church to Ultramontanism is deeply to be lamented. Ultramontanism, like every other error, has its foundation in human nature. There will always be those who prefer to gratify their own ambition and their own passions under the cloak of religion. Unqualified passive obedience will always have its votaries; it saves an infinity of trouble, and opens the way to preferment. A wonderful impetus has, indeed, been given to Ultramontanism, but many have escaped its devices, and, like the Irish Christian Brethren of old, are still struggling against foreign domination. If proof were wanting, we have it in these sympathising meetings. Look over the list of names of those who were present, and you will find numbers of C.C., but very few P.P. The young and hot-headed, just let loose from the purlieus of Maynooth, think a curate to be a sort of god; but Parish Priests, who feel his power, think differently. To confound these men with the swarm of foreign Ecclesiastics, and to pronounce all to be rebels, is to drive from us that class which most needs our sympathy and support.

Nor is it less contemptible to say, that "every Roman Catholic layman is a rebel at heart." In time of peril we found the educated and the affluent ever ready on the side of loyalty. The artisan may shout, on hearing some fervid speech, for the Pope's temporal power, a thing he does not understand; still thousands of these, in our own city, are truly loyal, and truly grateful for the liberty they enjoy. How the middle class feel respecting the aggressions of their prelacy we have proof. The Education question, which has now become an Ultramontane question, could command but the presence of eleven Members of Parliament, whose seats depended on the favour of the Bishops, although, to render the programme attractive, Tenant-right, Revision of the Poor Law, Naval Chapl

Fashionable Intelligence.

OSBORNE, DEC. 15.

Major-General Foster, commanding Royal Engineers South-Western District, arrived yesterday on a visit to her Majesty.

The Rev. George Prothero had the honour of being invited to dinner.

A deputation from the General Association for the Australian Colonies had an interview with the Duke of Newcastle yesterday, at the Colonial-office on the subject of the proposed increase on the rate of postage on newspapers to the Australian colonies *via* Southampton. The deputation consisted of the following gentlemen:—Mr. T. A. Donaldson, Chairman of the Association; Lord Alfred Churchill, M.P., Mr. George M'Leahy, Mr. J. Leslie Foster, Mr. Edward Wilson, Captain Eldred, and Mr. J. A. Youl, Hon. Secretary.

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the Royal Commission for the Exhibition of 1851 was held yesterday at the Privy Council-office. There were present—Earl Granville (Chairman), the Right Hon. R. Lowe, M.P., Sir Alexander Spearman, Bart., Mr. Thomas Baring, M.P., Mr. Coulson, Mr. C. W. Dilke, Mr. T. F. Gibson, and Mr. Edgar Boeting (secretary). Mr. H. R. Williams, Financial Officer was also present.

His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant will hold a Levee at Dublin Castle, on Wednesday, the 18th January, 1860, at one o'clock.

There will be a Drawing-Room at the Castle on Thursday, the 19th January, 1860, at nine o'clock.

General and Mrs. Harold and suite have arrived in Dublin from England.

Their Royal Highnesses the Duchess of Cambridge and the Princess Mary will leave Cambridge Cottage early in the ensuing month, to make a series of visits in the provinces.

Viscount and Viscountess Palmerston will leave London early next week for Broadlands, where they intend to receive a succession of visiters during the Christmas holidays.

The Duchess of Atholl has arrived at the St. George's Hotel, from Windsor Castle.

The Marquis and Marchioness of Headfort have left Claridge's Hotel, for Headfort House, county Meath.

The Earl and Countess of Durham left London on Friday, for Lambton Castle, Durham.

Viscountess Palmerston arrived at Cambridge House on Friday evening, from Brighton.

Lord Herries has left Claridge's Hotel, for Everingham Park, Yorkshire.

Lord and Lady Algernon St. Maur have arrived at the St. George's Hotel.

The Hon. E. Stourton, 8th Hussars, has arrived in London, from Bombay.

The Marquis and Marchioness of Salisbury are entertaining a large party at Hatfield House, Herts. The Marchioness gave a grand ball to the nobility and gentry of the county on Wednesday night, at Hatfield.

The Earl and Countess Fitzwilliam are surrounded by a family party at Wentworth House, Yorkshire. The Countess (Dowager) of Morton and Lady Gertrude Douglas have joined the circle.

The Earl of Elgin has left London for Broom Hall, his lordship's seat in Scotland. The Noble Earl will not return to London until about the 10th proximo.

The marriage of the Earl of Hopetoun with Miss Reynardson is fixed to take place on Tuesday, the 3rd of January.

The Earl and Countess of Clarendon are staying at the Grove, near Waterford, where they intend to receive company during the Christmas holidays.

The Earl and Countess of Euston have left London, for Wakefield Lodge, Northamptonshire.

The Countess Dowager Cowper will leave Panshanger on the 19th instant, for Wrest Park, near Huntingdon.

The Earl and Countess of Tankerville have arrived at Chillingham Castle, Northumberland, from visiting Lady Olivia Sparrow, at Brompton Park, near Huntingdon.

The Lord Chief Justice left his residence, Leeson-street, yesterday morning, for Carrigglass.

Lord Frederick and Lady Augusta Hallyburton opened at Kensington Palace a few days since, from Scotland.

Married, on Wednesday, by special licence, at Curzon-street, Curzon-street, Mayfair, by the Rev. Henry Brooke Boothby, vicar of Lissington, in the county of Lincoln, Geo. Henry Warren, Lord Vernon, to Frances Maria Emma Boothby, only daughter of the late Rev. Brooke Boothby and the Hon. Mrs. Boothby.

The Right Hon. Sidney and Mrs. Herbert will leave London in a few days, for Wilton House, Salisbury.

The following are among the latest departures from Boulin's Royal Marine Hotel, Bray:—Mr. and Mrs. Bennett and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bentinck, Captain Bulwer, Mr. Charles and Mrs. Tandy, Miss Cosby and suite for Killaly Hall. The Hon. Colonel James Browne has arrived from Galston Park; the Lady Robert Tottenham, Mr. and Mrs. Coote, Mr. and Mrs. Wall, and Mr. and Mrs. Haigh, are still sojourning at the Marine Hotel.

Thanks.

The Committee of the Hibernian Auxiliary to the Royal British Army Scripture-Readers' and Soldiers' Friend Society—For the following subscriptions:—Lord Viscount Powerscourt, £2; Countess of Carberry, £1; Rev. H. Lloyd, D.D., £1, donation to Soldiers' Institute, £2; Lady H. Kavanagh, Mrs. Joshua S. Bridge, Esq., 10s.; Sergeant M'Phun, 2nd, Miss Traver Borris (donation), £1; E. Batty, Esq., Captain Caulfield (donation), £1.

Army.

Captain H. C. Hardinge, 26th Regiment, has proceeded on leave of absence.

No. 1 Company 26th Regiment, under the command of Lieutenant Trail, will arrive in this garrison to-morrow (Saturday), from Naas, and will join the head-quarters of the regiment at Ship-street Barracks.

Major-General Bloomfield and Major Teesdale, C.B., have left Falmouth, the General having completed his inspection of the artillery in the Western District.

The powers of attorney at present held by Commanding Royal Engineers are cancelled, and similar powers issued to officers of Army Expenditure, as it has been decided by Secretary of State for War that it is the especial duty of military officers to enter into all contracts, and sign leases during War Department property at foreign stations. Exemption of duties laid down in circular 860 is in no way affected with by this arrangement.

The General Commanding-in-Chief having concurred with the Secretary of State for War in the desirability of a more complete examination of the Ordnance, mounted or on service at home and abroad, being made at the inspections, in order that the decision respecting it may be founded on satisfactory data, directions are issued from the War-office for the guidance of officers commanding Royal Artillery and military inspectors.

The Navy.

The Himalaya, screw troopship, Capt. J. Seccombe, sailed from Portsmouth on Thursday for Halifax and the West Indies, calling at Plymouth and Queenstown.

The Vigilant, 4, screw steam sloop, Commander W. Armytage, steamed into Portsmouth harbour and berthed on the south jetty to strip, and refit and return stores, &c. The greatest possible activity is visible in all parts of the South Dockyard. The two line-of-battle ships nearly ready for launching—the Prince of Wales, 131, three-decker and the Royal Frederick, 91, two-decker—have available hand employed upon them to complete them to the stipulated time; the former vessel will be launched by the end of next month. A number of workmen are engaged in laying down the keel of the Royal Alfred, a two-decker, in the shed under which the Victoria was built, and an improved 51 gun frigate (the Dryad) will be laid down at once in the shed from which the Duncan, 101, was launched on Tuesday last. The Sutlej, in No. 9 basin, having from a sailing to a steam frigate, is nearly complete in her outside planking. It is stated that the Government are paying weekly at Portsmouth Yard nearly £1,000 during the present month, as wages, &c.

The following is an extract from her Majesty's ship Beagle, at Plymouth, December 1:—

"We had a beautiful passage from Spithead, until within sight of this place, when we caught a strong south-east wind which blew us off the land, and we had to lay to for two days. It blew excessively heavy, with violent squalls, accompanied by lightning and rain. We called in at Lisbon Bay, and sailing again from there on the 26th at 4 p.m., we anchored in Hamoaze at 3-15 a.m., yesterday. We leave here shortly for the Cape of Good Hope, on our way to China. Our small craft behaved splendidly during the gale, and every one feels proud to belong to her, not only on account of her qualities as a sea boat, but because we have heard from the ship is well officered and manned. Plenty of discipline to render our hands perfect in their duties, but judiciously applied. Grumbling is unknown in this ship, and from the good feeling existing on board, and care taken in drilling our young crew, you may depend upon it they will be heard of in their dealings with the enemy."

The following appointments were made on Thursday at the Admiralty:—George William Hancock, acting third-class engineer to the Asia as supernumerary; Edward Hall, paymaster additional to the Victoria; Horatio Hall, assistant-paymaster to the Impregnable; John Bennett, second master to the Edgar; James Harry, second master to the Industry; John S. Scriven, clerk to the Queen; Thomas Hall, assistant clerk to the Victory; and J. W. Backhouse, assistant clerk to the Fawn.

The last and final demonstration of the Heaven born sacred music from Haydn's creation, takes place in Rotunda this day (Saturday) at two o'clock. A full attendance is expected.

The property of Kilmackridge a horse, the property of Mr. Ramsworthy, started off at a furious rate, and the driver from his seat, but the poor fellow escaped uninjured. From the concourse of people assembled, the danger was imminent, but the coolness of one man saved the lives of several. Submitting himself to the horse's head, seized the bridle, and though he was dragged a considerable distance, succeeded in stopping him. The melancholy accidents which might accrue were thus prevented by the energy of Dwyer, and the act was one worthy of praise to the gratitude of every individual.—*Wexford Constitution.*

LATEST NEWS.

IRISH TIMES OFFICE.
Half-past Two o'Clock

FRANCE.

PARIS, DEC. 16.—The "Moniteur" of yesterday announces that on Thursday night the health of Prince Jerome continued to improve. The same journal also publishes an article explaining the law on the press, the wisdom and necessity of which, it says, had been proved by eight years' experience.

SARDINIA AND THE CONGRESS.

TURIN, DEC. 15.—The choice of Sardinian representatives at the Congress is not yet officially known.

THE CONGRESS.

It appears to be understood that the Congress will not meet on the 5th. It will probably be opened about the middle of January.

La Presse contains an article in which it is observed that Sardinia and England must have demanded and obtained serious guarantees before sending a definite answer to France; and further remarks that the Congress would have been impossible if the principle of non-intervention had been accepted by all the Powers.

SPAIN.

The Madrid *Gazette* announces that the service of steam packets to Cuba will be put up to public tender on the 20th.

The Madrid journals contain a report that the Government was about to borrow 25,000,000 francs from the bank, on deposit of securities.

FRANCE.

The *Patrie* mentions a rumour that Prince Gortschakoff will decline to attend the Congress, as Plenipotentiary of Russia, unless England is represented by some important member of the Cabinet.

AMERICA.

QUEENSTOWN, FRIDAY.—The s.s. Vigo, with dates to the 3rd, reached here this afternoon. She brings 215,951 dollars in specie. The Europa arrived at Halifax; not a vestige of the Indian remained visible at Washington. Great uneasiness prevailed from the gloomy aspect of affairs caused by Abolition fanaticism. Browne was hung on the 2nd. he remained dignified to the last. Enthusiastic meetings had been held by his partisans, and the day is to be annually regarded as a holiday by all churches opposed to slavery. At San Juan everything was quiet. Joint occupation had been restored, but the title still disputed. The President considers armed intervention necessary. In America it is said England favoured occupation by the United States troops. A vessel, supposed to be for Filibustering, had been seized at Atalanta city. A Mr. Fish was tarred and feathered, at Savannah for advocating Abolition principles. Overland news from California states that heavy rains had stopped business, but had given renewed activity to mining and agriculture. Fears were entertained for the safety of the ships Cherubim and Golden Eagle, over-due from New York. The deputy clerk of Sacramento had absconded, taking with him 30,000 dols. of the public money. Colonel Kibb, of the militia, killed 40 warriors and took 400 prisoners of the Pits-Iver Indians. Nicaragua quiet, but invasion by General Walker feared.

Money active, 6 per cents. Cotton dull. Breadstuffs easier. Bacon dull. Lard firm. Turpentine steady

MAIL NEWS.

QUEENSTOWN, FRIDAY, DEC. 16.—The s.s. Glasgow, for New York, took the ground whilst swinging first quarter ebb on a mud bank, east side of the Channel. She is expected to float off at 8 or 9 p.m., and proceed; no damage sustained.

CABINET COUNCIL.

A Cabinet Council was held yesterday afternoon.

THE ARMY.

Amongst the promotions consequent on the death of General Sir F. French is that of Major-General the Right Hon. G. Peel, Lieut.-Col. on half pay unattached, who is to have the rank of Lieut.-General.

THE STEPNEY SCANDAL CASE.

The Bishop will have to sit in the next stage of the hearing with a legal assessor, and, in the event of the case being proved against Mr. Bonwell, will be empowered to pass sentence. The further hearing cannot, in consequence of legal forms, take place for several weeks.

BANK RETURNS—DECEMBER 16TH, 1859.

ISSUE DEPARTMENT.—Notes issued, £30,791,305; Total, £30,791,305; Government Debt, £11,015,100; Other Securities, £3,459,900; Gold Coin and other Bullion, £16,316,305; Total, £30,791,305.—BANKING DEPARTMENT.—Proprietors' Capital, £14,553,000; Rest, £3,143,099; Public Deposits, £8,938,987; Other Deposits, £13,636,960; Seven-day and other Bills, £785,630; Total, £41,057,476; Government Securities, £10,925,157; Other Securities, £19,405,557; Notes, £10,040,185; Gold and Silver, £683,577; Total, £41,057,447.

USBORNE'S REPORT.—Supplies moderate. Weather cold and frosty. Wheat—English firm at full prices of Monday; foreign—holders asked rather more money. Floating cargoes as on Monday; no fresh arrivals. Flour fully as dear. Indian corn—More disposition to buy, but importers look for advance. Barley firm at Monday's prices. Malt unaltered. Peas and beans without alteration. Oats held for more money, and buyers have to pay 3d. to 6d. advance on feeding qualities. Irish relatively too dear.

LIVERPOOL CORN MARKET, DEC. 15.—(Morton, Brothers, and Maddock's Report.)—We have a fair attendance at market this morning. Wheat in fair demand and rather dearer. Flour steady. Oats firm. Oatmeal 6d. per load dearer. Indian corn in demand, at an advance of 3d. to 6d. per quarter.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET, DECEMBER 16TH.—Sales of the week better. Sales of week—62,760 bales, including 1,870 on speculation, and 1,944 export; quotations of fair same as last week. Stock—838,000 bales; imports of the week, 3,487 bales; sales to-day about 7,000 bales; market unchanged.

MANCHESTER TRADE REPORT, DECEMBER 16TH.—The declining tendency of cotton, and the lateness of the season, have combined to depress the tone of our market during the last ten days; the unfavourable news just to hand from Calcutta has increased the depression to-day, and very little business doing; yarns, with exception of Mediterranean qualities, are one-fouth down from last prices, and goods, with few exceptions, may be had on easier terms to-day than last week.

SHIPPING.

QUEENSTOWN, DEC. 15.—Arrived—Alegancan, Callao; Aurora, Troon, Limerick, coals; Glasgow, s.s., Glasgow to New York. Put back—Woodville, Ardrossan; Wild Bayrell, Londonderry. Sailed — Anne Dunn, Galway; Caltanna, Gloster.

QUEENSTOWN, DEC. 15.—The Vigo, New York to Liverpool, arrived here this afternoon.

The s.s. Glasgow has just floated, and proceeded for New York.

The following appeared in our Second Edition of Yesterday:—

THE FRENCH IN THE RED SEA.

The *Times'* Aden Correspondent, gives an account of the active movements of the French Government to acquire influence in the Red Sea. France has recognised the independence of a Chief who has long been desirous of throwing off allegiance to the Emperor of Abyssinia. She obtains in return certain concessions, a part has been acquired, and a French settlement is to be formed.

NAVAL PREPARATIONS.

The greatest activity prevails in Portsmouth Dockyard. The line-of-battle ships Prince of Wales and Royal Frederick are nearly ready for launching. The keel of the Royal Alfred is being laid down, and an improved 57 gun frigate is to be commenced. Workmen are engaged on a number of other vessels. It is stated that the Government are paying weekly at Portsmouth Dockyard alone nearly £7,000 in wages.

THE SUEZ CANAL.

The *Times* says it has been supposed for some time past that the English Government are not inclined any longer to stand in the way of such Continental capitalists as may be disposed to invest five or six millions in it, while the removal of the difficulty in this respect may free our own land of the indispensable route *via* Euphrates.

RAILWAY NEWS.

The railway market has again been firm, the progress of the settlement showing a marked increase in new investments in this department. Midlands are scarce for transfer, and have advanced one per cent. South Eastern, Great Western, Lancashire and Yorkshire have also been in demand, and in nearly all the leading stocks an improvement has taken place, averaging three-fourth per cent. The present prices are for the new account at the end of the month.

EXTRA HOLIDAY AT CHRISTMAS.

All the leading influential houses in the city, and retail firms at the West-end, have arranged to keep holiday on Monday, 26th.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Dr. Donnelly, well known in Paris, died on Tuesday.

A Swiss paper pretends that Louis Napoleon refused permission to Marshal M'Mahon to accept the Irish Sword of Honour, and that this course had caused a very unfavourable impression in England.

ROYAL IRISH HUSSARS.—We are gratified to learn by the late accounts from India that our gallant young townsman, Lieutenant Thomas Richards, of the above distinguished regiment, and son of the late Captain Loftus Richards, of Little Clonard, in this county, has recovered from a most severe attack of brain fever, and is able to resume duty with his regiment. Lieutenant Richards was actively employed with his regiment during the harassing campaigns in the late mutiny, and in despatches received much praise for his intrepid conduct.—*Wexford Independent.*

We regret that we have received intelligence of the death of Lieutenant G. M. Hand, of the 9th Bengal Infantry, fourth son of the Rev. Thomas Hand, rector of Clones, in the twenty-first year of his age, at Bath, whither he had recently proceeded with his family. He served with her Majesty's 82nd Regiment throughout the Bengal campaigns of 1857-8, from Cawnpore to Shahjchanpore and Bareilly, and contracted disease from over-exertion and exposure to the sun, from which he never recovered.

A working tailor of Birmingham, named Charles Hinckes, who had contrived to become the practical manager of several building and loan societies, and had induced other people to invest their money in bubble speculations, has absconded on the discovery of his defalcations, which are said to amount to £10,000 a large proportion of which belonged to the working classes.

One thousand three hundred and fifty-eight foals have been bred this season. Of these 681 are colts and 677 fillies.

The following appeared in our Third Edition of Yesterday:—

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET, DEC. 15.—Sugar—The improved tone noticed last week, has been fully maintained and in some cases rates better prices have been paid; holders are firm, but buyers do not freely respond to their demand. Rum quiet. Coffee—There is a very good inquiry for export descriptions, and advanced prices have been paid, but for trade qualities demand languid; market continues steady, without, however, much demand, and notwithstanding some speculative inquiry, caused by anticipated abolition of the duty in France, business is only small, without alteration in price, Saltpetre continues steady. Tallow—Results of London sales has given more tone to market Tea in much better tone this week; sales have been made in many kinds of congou, at ½d to 1d per lb. advance on the last ruling rates. Not much change to notice in other descriptions of blacks and greens.

CORK CORN MARKET, DEC. 16.—White wheat, 26s. 6d. to 27s., red, 25s. 6d. to 26s. 6d.; barley, 18s. to 19s. 0d.; Oats, 12s. to 14s.

CORK BUTTER MARKET DEC. 16.—Firsts, 118s.; seconds, 115s.; thirds, 104s.; fourths, 100s.; fifths, 84s.; sixths, 74s. 1,500 in market.

LONDON CORN MARKET, DEC. 16.—Supplies of all grain very small; wheat firm at extreme rates of last day; barley very firm; oats of all kinds sell readily at 6d to 1s advance; flour, Norfolks, firm; American unaltered.

LONDON PRODUCE MARKET, DEC. 16.—Sugar continues firm, and yesterday's prices fully supported; Coffee improved demand, sales going 1s. dearer; Tea, public sales so far have gone much on a par with yesterday; Rice quiet; Saltpetre firm; Tallow market firm, and prices 6d. higher than yesterday, and all the month 57s. to 57s. 6d., January to March 57s., March alone 57s. 6d.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE MARKET DEC. 16.—Sugar less active, but no alteration in prices. Rice—nothing doing. Coffee—Sales went off without animation; finer qualities all taken off. Molasses—good demand.

SHIPPING.

WATERFORD.—Arrived—Amelia Angelica, Sulina; Patrick Esther, Ardrossan. Sailed—Malcom, Sydney; Brothers, Newport, arrived at Valentia, Kerry; Shields for Limerick.

TUAM (CO. GALWAY) FAIR.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

Our Christmas fair opened this morning, in consequence of the heavy frost and snow of the preceding night, somewhat later than usual. So late as 9 o'clock the green presented anything but its usually crowded appearance; by-and-bye, however, the aspect of affairs changed; fresh arrivals momentarily continued to pour in, and as the bell tolled 10 o'clock, and the buyers had had their breakfasts, there was a general anxiety tmanifest, and a brisk business ensued. The fair though not quite so large as many of our Christmas ones was yet remarkably good, of which the murmurings and but ill-suppressed grumblings of the buyers offered ample evidence. Prices exceeded the average of the late neighbourhood fairs. Some large porkers were exhibited, many fetching prices varying from £9 to £10 and £11, one gigantic monster bringing £14. Amongst the numerous sales effected, we annex the following:—Mr. Judge of the county Mayo, bought from Mr. Rush a lot of bullocks at £15; Mr. Judge sold to Mr. Concannon Waterloo 30, three year old heifers at £9 10s.; Mr. Lewis Finney got for 40 wedders £2; Mr. John Daly Quam for, some milch cows got £40 12s. 6d.; Mr. Finney for 10 fat wedders got £2 17s 6d.; Mr. James Johnston, Foghena Lodge paid for 30 heifers, £9 12s. 6d.; Mr. Edmond Kelly, Oastmount for 20 wedders got £2 12. 6d.; Mr. Andrew Ryan, Cloonascragh, for 20 heifers got £8 12s. 6d.; Mr. Commons, Brenagh, for a lot of three-year olds got £19; Mr. Mitchell, Athenry, for a lot of lambs paid £1 7s. 6d.; Mr. P. Hardy, Canonmanagh, for 40 wedders, paid £2 4s.; Mr. Edward Browne Caelvo, for some fat cattle, £12 15s. There was a very large show of horses, but the description was certainly very far from A 1, the demand, notwithstanding, was very brisk, and the fair on the whole satisfactory, both to sellers and purchasers, especially the former.

DUNMORE FAIR.

On Monday, both supply and demand was far in advance of the late general average. There was an immense show of cattle, sheep, and horses, exhibited, and purchasers were quite in proportion. An extraordinary number of pigs were on view, and these went off at unusually high prices. Milch cows were much looked after, but the supply was by no means up to the demand. Generally speaking, the fair was a very good one, and at two o'clock but few animals remained unsold on the green.

ALTHURN.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SHEEP STEALING.—At the Petty Sessions Court, held in Athenry, on the 13th instant, William Tierney, of Athenry, a young man of about 20 years of age, was charged with having stolen a sheep the property of Timothy Kinneen, of Athenry. The matter created considerable sensation and surprise, as the party charged is far removed from poverty or those other circumstances that tempt men to commit such crimes. It appeared from the evidence that Mr. Kinneen on the 9th instant, missed a sheep from off his lands at Cullain Bawn, near this town, and sent word to that effect to his herd who made search for it in every place where he was likely to find it, but in vain, no trace of it could be found. However, on Monday last when passing through the town of Athenry, he saw two men one of them a butcher, driving a sheep through the town these he followed to the butcher's house, and upon examining the sheep he declared it to be Mr. Kinneen's property. He then went and told Mr. Kinneen that the sheep which he had lost was in the butcher's house. Meantime, the butcher upon hearing that there was a dispute about the ownership of the sheep, sent for Tierney the person he purchased it from, and after getting back from him the half-crown "earnest" that he gave him a few hours before told him that he would neither pay him for it nor give him the sheep, as it was stolen, till he handed it over to the police. A dispute then followed, and the butcher went for the constabulary. Tierney in the meantime brought away the sheep, but he was shortly after arrested by the constabulary, and himself and the sheep were forthwith conveyed to the police-barrack. On their way to the barrack they met Mr. Kinneen, who declared the sheep to be his property, and to be the one that was stolen off his lands at Cullain Bawn. On Tuesday the whole affair was investigated at Athenry Petty Sessions, by James Clarke, Esq., who sent the affair for trial at the next Courtof Quarter Sessions to be held at Loughrea.

THE WEATHER.

ATHENRY, DEC. 14.—The weather during the last few days has been very severe, we had some severe frost and snow, and while I write there is every probability of a continuance of such weather.

STARLIGHT CAPTURE OF A SALMON.—A correspondent of the *Edinburgh Courant* sends the following account of a late starlight capture of a clean run salmon, which we have no doubt will be interesting to those who delight in salmon fishing:—"I rose and hooked a fine-looking fish at Kirkback, below St. Boswells, Newtown, at 3-15 in the afternoon; he immediately, on feeling I had struck him, made a rush up the river. I managed in about ten minutes to turn his head down the stream; he then, on my checking him, started off at railway speed towards an ugly fall below Kirkback. I was fortunate enough to bring him over the easiest part of it, and got him into one of the pools below. He lay here for half-an hour, boring down with his full weight and force to the bottom of the same, occasionally rushing up and throwing a somerset, splashing the water into a foam round him. After repeated endeavours to free himself, he took a desperate rush down the river towards the woods, going over two other falls in the river (at that time having become quite dark); and at 5-35, just two hours and twenty minutes from first hooking him, I had the delight of landing him at Craigower, nearly a mile from first hooking him, the last hour a fight between him and I having been conducted in perfect darkness save a few stars) and having nothing to guide me as to his whereabouts, the feeling of the quantity of line on my reel as indicating his being near or distant from me. At Craigower I brought him into the shallow water, and my companion—the keeper—skilfully brought him out in the landing net, a beautiful fish, as he proved afterwards, and weighing 22lbs."

SYMPATHY WITH THE POPE.—A requisition to the Roman Archbishop of Cashel is in course of signature, praying him to convene a meeting of the Catholics of the county of Tipperary at Thurles, on a convenient day after Christmas.

SAD OCCURRENCE.—A shocking and fatal accident occurred on the evening of Saturday last to a child of Mr. Andrew M'Manus, T.C., of Enniskillen. Mrs. M'Manus had been suffering from toothache, and a man who was in the shop urged her to try vitriol, and in his eagerness to employ the remedy went out and procured it himself in a cup. Mrs. M'Manus left the shop, and did not heed the vitriol, which was left on the counter. Shortly after the child, a lovely little creature of about two years old, came into the shop and was seated on the counter. It was in the habit of occasionally getting food in the shop, and asked for a drink; and the cup was either given to it, or it was permitted to take it by some one who was ignorant of what was in it. The poor child swallowed the vitriol, or a portion of it; medical aid was procured on the spot, but the injury done was irremediable. The child lingered on over Sunday, and expired about an hour after midnight on Monday morning. No blame can be attached to any one; it was one of those occurrences that defy human foresight; still it ought to have a tendency to render people more careful in the handling of that which kills. One cannot be a bit too cautious where a deadly substance is contained.—*Impartial Reporter.*

THE GOLD AND SILVER CROP OF THE UNITED STATES.—The Baltic, which arrived at this port yesterday, brought from California 1,700,000 in gold, besides, perhaps, a quarter of a million in the hands of passengers. The gold crop of California exhibits no diminution in its yield, notwithstanding the immense returns of the precious metal it has been pouring out for the past 10 or 11 years. Indeed, it has been steadily increasing of late. We find that the imports of gold for 1859, up to the date of the Baltic's arrival yesterday, amount to nearly 36,000,000, with three more shipments yet to be received between this and the end of the year, which will doubtless bring it up to 40,000,000, an! will show an increase over the shipments of 1858 of about 4,000,000, while the increase during that year 1857 was close on 2,000,000. The returns of gold from the Australian fields, it may be remarked, do not exhibit so favourable a record as this. Then, we have the Pike's Peak and Frazer River mines, both giving promise of a rich harvest in time. Up to the present Pike's Peak has yielded from half a million to a million, and the work has not fairly commenced there, while the Frazer River mines, which have been longer in operation, have given from 2,000,000 to 3,000,000. Arizona, meantime, opens to us her fruitful fields of silver, which promise to be abundant, and perhaps that territory only requires the aid of machinery, mining skill, and a ready transit to render it as valuable as California in the hardly less precious metal. When the contemplated road from Arizona to Guaymas is opened, we shall probably have such another rush of emigration as the gold discovery in California produced, and it is not unlikely that silver will soon come pouring in so plentifully from Arizona as gold from California—a fact which will effect some change in the relative value of the two metals. Before many years, then, we may be counting the gold and silver crop of the United States on an equal footing with our cotton crop, in value and importance.—*New York Herald.*

At the recent examinations in chemistry, at the Limerick Athenæum, the bronze medal of the department was awarded to Joseph Yeates, Joseph Powell, James O'Shea, Patrick K. Cleary.—*Limerick Chronicle.*

CORK AND KINSALE (JUNCTION) RAILWAY.

Mr. Fishbourne, arbitrator, sat on Tuesday and Wednesday, at the Imperial Hotel, to entertain claims for consequential damages, in respect of lands and tenements thereon, through which this railway passes.

Mr. H. W. Wood, secretary; Mr. Babington, solicitor; and Mr. Roddy, engineer, attended on behalf of the railway company; with Mr. J. B. Lacy, assistant to solicitor, and Mr. W. W. White, valuator.

Mr. Justin M'Carthy, barrister; Mr. Townsend, Mr. Gillman, Mr. T. Ware, Mr. W. Murphy, Mr. W. C. Bennett, and Mr. Scannell, solicitors; with Mr. F. A. Klein, civil engineer, attended on behalf of the several applicants.

Applications were entertained from several parties for compensation for damage to arable or pasture fields, tenements, &c., varying in amount from £5 to £90.

Evidence was gone into in each individual case as to the value of the several lands and tenements claimed for. The arbitrator will give his award in a few days, as soon as possession of the lands has been given.—*Cork Herald.*

It has been decided to have a lottery drawing of £1,000, for the support of the City of Limerick Infirmary. The particulers will appear next post. The prizes will be on even a better scale than those in Cork, and the chances more numerous. The fund and drawing will be under the guarantee and management of the Mayor and High Sheriff of the city of Limerick for the ensuing year.—"MUNSTER NEWS."

VISIT OF THE RIGHT HON. EDWARD CARDWELL, M.P., CHIEF SECRETARY FOR IRELAND, TO BELFAST.—The Right Hon. Edward Cardwell, M.P., Chief Secretary for Ireland, arrived in Belfast on Tuesday night, by the nine p.m. train from Dublin, and on Wednesday he visited nearly all the public institutions in this town. He was accompanied by Mr. Charles Cardwell (his private secretary), A. J. Macrory, Esq., and Professor Gibson, Moderator of the General Assembly.—*Belfast Mercury.*

WRECK OF THE SOMNAUTH.—The WEXFORD INDEPENDENT gives the following particulars:—"Our Blackwater correspondent gives us the earliest intimation of the wreck, and the safe arrival of the captain and crew at Mauricecastle. He also since informs us of the captain having visited the ship the following day, when the water was breaking over the bulwarks, and the vessel, with masts cut away, a wreck. We have since obtained the following additional particulars:—The Somnauth, Capt. Cummins, sailed on Thursday, the 8th instant, from Fleetwood, laden with coal from Savannah, wind S. by E., and hazy. On the same day the ship was abreast of Holyhead, distance about eight miles. That night it commenced to blow fresh, and orders were given to double reef all the topsails. On the 9th, Friday, the ship was tacked to the Eastward, and the lead kept constantly going, as the weather was still hazy, and she worked down Channel with a strong wind from South-West, veering to South-East. On Saturday, 10th, the weather continued the same, and soundings were made in 18 fathoms water. At seven o'clock p.m., ship on port tack, close hauled, and steering W. by S. course; weather still very thick, with a strong breeze from S. by W. when the ship struck and heat heavily. The sails were immediately clewed up, when it was reported ship was making a vast deal of water, and what is, in seamen's phrase, "forging" on the bank. The carpenter soon reported that the stern post was started, and the anchors were then let go. It was only then that amid the hazy a revolving light was seen, which the captain took for the Tuskar Light. Two boats were launched, the ship all the time beating very heavily. The masts were then cut away in the hope of saving as much of the ship and materials as possible, and for some time hope was revived. One of the boats got adrift, when the captain and some of the crew left in the other boat with the expectation of recovering the one adrift, but in a short time it was found that their boat had been partially stove in. On reaching the first-mentioned boat they took her in tow, with the hope of regaining the ship, but they could not. Two men were then put in the boat in tow, and desired, if possible, to board the ship and inform those on board that the other was proceeding to the light, which was then ascertained to be a light-ship, and would bring assistance—but before reaching her (the light-ship of the Blackwater Bank), the boat sank, and it was only by the great exertions of the people of the light-ship those on board the boat were saved. A boat was then got from the light-ship, and the ship was again boarded, but it was found that those who had been left on board were gone for the shore in the long-boat. This boat landed safe at Mauricecastle, and were kindly attended by the Coast Guards. The captain, finding the ship was beyond saving, secured his papers, and returned with his party to the light-ship, where every attention was paid them, and where they remained until the Cahore life-boat boarded and landed them safe. The captain (who had his wife and infant child on board), with the crew, reached Wexford on Monday, and Mr. Harper, J.P., the agent for the underwriters, has taken active steps to secure as much of the wreck and materials as possible.

LOSS OF A BOAT AND SEVEN LIVES.—THE EAST OF FIFE RECORD reports the loss of one of the Cellardyke fishing boats on Thursday last, by which seven lives were lost, and five families, with a wide circle of relatives, thrown into deep distress. The boats had been prevented by stormy weather from going to sea all the early part of the week. On Wednesday night, however, the storm abated considerably, and on Thursday morning the whole put to sea, but before they had done with the fishing the wind again freshened, and continued to increase all the early part of the day, during which they had to make their way homeward over a cross sea, in which numerous hairbreadth escapes were made, from the waves breaking in upon their undecked vessels and nearly filling them. One of the boats, less fortunate, having reached the mouth of the Firth, where they were considered in comparative safety, was suddenly engulphed in shege wave, and overwhelmed in an instant. Another boat, about a cooscast distant, seeing the catastrophe, immediately bore up to give assistance, and succeeded in saving one of the crew; but the rest, seven in number, perished. Twelve children and five widows are deprived of support by the calamity.

Lady Franklin is expected in Paris, and it is the intention of the different scientific sections of the Academie to receive her with the honours usual upon the reception of royalty.

THE UNION JACK.—The term "union jack" is one which is partly of obvious signification, and in part somewhat perplexing. The "union" between England and Scotland, to which the flag owed its origin, evidently supplied the first half of the compound title borne on the flag itself. But the expression "jack" involves some difficulty. Several solutions of this difficulty have been submitted, but, with a single exception only, they are by far too subtle to be considered satisfactory. A learned and judicious antiquary has recorded it as his opinion, that the flag of the union received the title of "union jack" from the circumstance of the union between England and Scotland having taken place in the reign of King James, by whose command the new flag was introduced. The name of the king in French, "Jaques," would have been certainly used in heraldic documents; the union jack of King Jaques would very naturally be called, after the name of its royal author, Jaques' union, or union Jaques, and so by a simple process we arrive at union jack. This suggestion of the late Sir Harris Nicholas may be accepted, I think, without any hesitation. The term "jack" having once been recognised as the title of a flag, it is easy enough to trace its application to several flags. Thus, the old white flag with the white cross is now called the St. George's jack, and English seamen are in the habit of designating the national ensigns of other countries as the "jacks" of France, Russia, &c.—"Art Journal."

CHORAL SOCIETY FOR HOLYWOOD.—On Wednesday evening, a meeting was held in the Assembly Rooms, Holywood, for the purpose of forming a Choral Society for that town. John Anderson, Esq., having been moved to the chair, the subject was discussed, and resolutions were passed in favour of the formation of the society. Wm. Brown, Esq., was unanimously elected President, and John Anderson, Esq., and Wm. Robertson, Esq., Vice-Presidents. A committee, secretary, and treasurer, having been nominated, the meeting was adjourned to Wednesday evening next, when a report from the committee, and rules for the guidance of the society, will be laid before the meeting. We trust that the project may be in every respect successful. Holywood is rapidly growing in size and importance, and a good Choral Society cannot but prove a source of very great enjoyment to the members and to the inhabitants generally. No doubt, the influential inhabitants will lend the society all the assistance in their power.—"Belfast Mercury."

COMPLIMENTARY ADDRESS TO WILLIAM JONES ARMSTRONG, ESQ., D.L.—We are enabled, this day (Thursday), to record another gratifying instance of the good feeling subsisting between the owners and occupiers of land in this district of the North of Ireland. On the occasion of Mr. Armstrong's arrival at Glenaule House, which he recently purchased, and where he intends to reside permanently, a large number of farmers in the locality, joined by many of the tenantry of his Killilea property, met him a short distance from the house, and escorted him home, where they presented him an address. Mr. Armstrong, who had several of his personal friends as his guests, entertained all who were present at a sumptuous repast. There were about 300 assembled, and, after dinner, they retired to a spacious outhouse, fitted up for the occasion, where they danced till near morning, having due supplies of refreshment at intervals. All passed off in the most harmonious and delightful manner.—*Newry Telegraph.*

THE DOWN HUNT BALL.—From the extensive scale on which preparations are being made for the Down Hunt Ball, which will take place on Tuesday next, and the costly nature of the hangings, furniture, &c., we have every confidence that it will be not only one of the largest but the most magnificent that has taken place for many years in the North of Ireland. No expense is being spared to fit up the apartments in the court-house, to be used on the occasion, and the Down Hunt Ball-room, in a style befitting the occasion, and worthy of those invited. Messrs. R. and J. Quail, cabinet-makers of this town, have been entrusted with the furnishing and upholstering, and they have engaged first-class workmen for the occasion; Mr. Peter Ferguson, Downpatrick, will attend to the gilding and painting. Both parties are evidently making every effort to give the satisfaction which the importance of the occasion requires. Mr. Charles Thompson, Donegall-place, Belfast, will furnish the viands.—*Downshire Protestant.*

New Music.

THE CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S CHIMES. An exceedingly pretty ballad, appropriate to the present season. The air is light, easy, and pleasing, and the words, as may be seen from the opening couplet, are well adapted and prettily arranged:—

"Hail, Christmas! Hail, thou time of mirth,
When friend's long parted meet,
And, circling round their homes, bright hearth,
Old Christmas gladly greet."

AS YOU LIKE IT.—Messrs. Robert Cocks & Co., New Burlington-street, London.

A BRILLIANT and lively polka. It is pleasingly arranged, and well adapted for dancing.

CONSUELO AND HAYDN.—Robert Cocks & Co., New Burlington-street, London.

A DUETT for a mezzo-soprano and a contralto voice. It is founded on an incident in George Sands' "Consuelo," and the music on themes by Haydn is effectively arranged and adapted by Stephen Glover. The air is exceedingly pretty, and the music is not difficult.

THE CHARLOTTE WALTZ.—Cocks & Co., New Burlington-street, London.

THIS waltz, founded on the favourite song, "Her Bright Smile Haunts Me Still," has been composed for the piano by Henry Barton, Esq. It is what a waltz should be, lively and spirit-stirring, and has the additional advantage of being exceedingly easy.

Foreign Intelligence.

CHINA.

By this mail we have advices from Hong kong to October 29, and Shanghae to October 22. The following is from the summary of the *China Mail*:—

"Everything remains dull. A portion of the 67th Regiment has come up here from Calcutta, and the 3rd Buffs are daily expected from the same place, it having been supposed that Shanghae was in danger at the time of the riot there. It is said that a recent survey of the mouth of the Peiho has disclosed that large vessels can move in very close to the forts, so if directions come out for the destruction of the forts, there will be no difficulty in doing so. A number of vessels are engaged at Calcutta, lest hostilities should be ordered; but we are not without hope that moderate counsels will prevail.

"Mr. Lay has commenced the operation of the new customs service at Canton, and in another column we give the regulations of the custom-house and the rules for river steamers. As might be expected, an innovation of this kind has been sharply opposed by a portion of the foreign community, but in some quarters in such an abusive way as rather to close than to promote discussion. One important fact, however, is that the United States consul at Canton has refused his sanction to the arrangement until he communicates with his Excellency Mr. Ward; and the American steamer White Cloud brought back a portion of is its cargo, immediately after the regulations were put in force this week, rather than bear the delay involved by the customs examination. As the system appears not to have worked ill at Shanghae, it is to be hoped that some attempt will be made to suit the necessities of the river steamers.

"We mentioned in our last overland summary that 'the southern portion' of the island of Saghalien had been ceded to the Russians by the Japanese Government. As the Russians held the northern portion some time ago, it may be presumed that the whole island is now in their hands.

"The wreck of another steamer has to be announced by us every mail almost regularly. This time it is the James Hartley, the loss of which we have to record. It left Shanghae for Hongkong on the 6th instant, and on the evening of the 10th, a little after six o'clock, struck upon some rocks about 80 miles distant from Hongkong. After incurring great danger the officers and crew were then taken down to Hongkong by a junk; 25,000 dols., which were on board, were afterwards recovered by a gun-boat. The ship Inkerman, from London, has been lost on St. John's Island; the Louisa Bailie, on its way to Swatow, and the schooner Minnita, on the other side of this island.

"Early on the morning of the 19th inst., a destructive fire broke out here, which destroyed the establishments of Mr. Marsh, Mrs. Rickomartz, the Victoria Exchange, the billiard room of the Commercial Hotel, and the newly-built Roman Catholic chapel, with an adjoining house. The damage is estimated at upwards of 100,000 dols.

INDIA AND CHINA.

The dates brought by the Overland Mail are from Calcutta to Nov. 10, and from Hongkong to Oct. 29.

THE TALOOKDARS OF OUDE.

The following is the sunnud or deed of grant given to each of the restored Talookdars of Oude:—

"Know all men that whereas by the proclamation of March, 1858, by his Excellency the Right Hon. the Viceroy and Governor-General of India, all proprietary rights in the soil of Oude, with a few special exceptions, were confiscated and passed to the British Government, which became free to dispose of them as it pleased, I, Charles John Wingfield, Chief Commissioner of Oude, under the authority of his Excellency the Governor General of India in Council, do hereby confer on you the full proprietary right, title, and possession of the estate or estates of , consisting of the villages as per list attached to the kuboolyut you have executed, of which the present Government revenue is . Therefore, this sunnud is given you, in order that it may be known to all whom it may concern that the above estate has been conferred upon you and your heirs for ever, subject to the same payment of such annual revenue as may from time to time be imposed, and to the conditions of surrendering all arms, destroying all forts, preventing and reporting crime, rendering any service you may be called upon to perform, and of showing constant good faith, loyalty, zeal, and attachment to the British Government, according to the provisions of the engagement which you have executed; the breach of any one of which at any time shall be held to annul the right and title now conferred on you and your heirs.

"It is also a condition of this grant that you will, so far as in your power, promote the agricultural prosperity of your estate, and that all holding under you shall be secured in the possession of all the subordinate rights they formerly enjoyed. As long as the above obligations are observed by you and your heirs in good faith, so long will the British Government maintain you and your heirs as proprietors of the abovementioned estate or estates. In confirmation of which I herewith attach my seal and signature.

(True copy.)
"T. D. FORSYTH, Secretary to the Chief Commissioner, Oude."

THE REBELS IN NEPAUL.

The *Englishman* says:—'No less than seven columns are now in motion on the Nepaul frontier, with Jung Bahadoor to boot, to surround and effectually destroy the remnant of the rebels. It seems certain that the Nana has escaped our retributive justice by a lingering death from fever. There was for a long time a strong suspicion of the reports about his illness, but it now appears that they were not mere false scents to lessen the vigilance of the hunters. A greater than we has brought him down."

All brigade commands have been abolished in spite, I am assured, of the oppositon of the Commander-in-Chief. The brigade is now to be commanded by the senior officer of the station without allowances. The measure, which causes a saving of only 1,800r. a month, has created considerable annoyance. It is argued that officers henceforward will in peace have no opportunity of commanding anything beyond a regiment, and that the brigade duties—which include the control, sanitary, police, and judicial of all cantonments—will be neglected. The Government, however, remains firm, and the commands of Gwalior, Lucknow, Lahore, Ferozepore, Jullundur, Sealkote, and Barrackpore, have been abolished by general order. The matter is one of military detail, but a few prizes in an army save money, by permitting a low average of pay.—*Calcutta Letter.*

We read in the Calcutta letter:—"The ex-King of Oude seems at last to have become resigned to his fate. The stern resolution with which he declined to sign away sovereignty has given way, and we now see him, without remonstrance or a murmur, recognising his position as no longer King of Oude, and mingling cheerfully among the loyal and busy subjects of her Majesty the Queen. Among the advertisements in the papers we see his signature plain 'Wuziet Alee, ex-King of Oude.' Our Government, that was so anxious to obtain his renunciation of the sovereignty of Oude, will now be satisfied with his own admission that he is ex-King of Oude."

Some of the Europeans of Lucknow, who lost, perhaps more than any class, and did soldiers' work besides have been splendidly rewarded. Mr. Schelling, for example, the two Captains Orr, the two Hearseys, and Captain Bunbury have received jaguires worth £1,000 a year. Almost the whole of the escheated estates in Oude have now been given away, some of them in enormous slices. One man has got more than Wellington received for Waterloo. I do not myself think this lavishness bad policy. An idea that the British were incurably mean was very widely spread, and it required large gifts to remove an impression fatal to hearty service. We must not forget that the Asiatic notion of life is still very much like the "Arabian Night" type. They expect to see a man raised from poverty into wealth and power by the mere will of the Prince. One such occurrence is a pleasurable excitement to a province, and circulates with a rapidity the most important public benefit would never secure.—*Letter from Calcutta.*

AUSTRIA.

(FROM THE CORRESPONDENT OF THE TIMES.)

VIENNA, DEC. 12.—Two letters from Hungary, said to have been written by a clergyman residing in the Zips County, which have appeared in the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," throw so much light on the affairs of the Hungarian Protestants, that I subjoin a summary of them:—

"The Concordat weighs so heavily on the Austrian press that no Vienna paper ventures to give the text of the petitions of the various Protestant assemblies against the Imperial Patent of the 1st of September. The German papers published in Hungary being equally reserved, the Protestants in that country are obliged, when they wish the exact state of their affairs to be known, to have recourse to the foreign press.

"One of the principal defenders of the Imperial Patent is M. Hornyansky, the editor of the Protestant *Wochenblatt*, and even he acknowledges that he cannot altogether disapprove the resolutions taken by the different Assemblies. He, however, attempts to excuse the Roman Catholic 'octroi,' by observing that the Constitution given to the Protestant Church is provisional, and may be changed at pleasure by future Synods. M. Hornyansky, however, forgets that the arrangements 'provisionally' made in Austria are always of long duration. If the Protestants accept the 'octroi,' they may subsequently have Convents and Synods, but no changes are likely to be made in the provisional constitution of their Church, as it is only now that the Austrian Government 'professes to intend' to confirm the resolutions taken by the Synod in 1791. As the *Wochenblatt* is of opinion that a Roman Catholic Minister has no right to give a 'definitive' Constitution to the Protestant Church, it ought to see that he has just as little right to give it a provisional one. The Hungarian Protestants never suspected that the Imperial Government wished to place them in a position like that which they occupied under the last of the Hapsburgs (Charles VI.), nor did they believe that they were likely to be persecuted as they were by Ferdinand II., Leopold I., and Charles VI.; but the 'Oesterreichische Zeitung' plainly says that the present Government finds in the ordinances of the Emperor Charles VI. a precedent for the exercise of the 'jus circa sacra,' and that it intends to exercise its right of superintendence in that sense. If this be correct, an ordinance 'a la Haynau' can entirely change the position of the Protestants in Hungary, and limit them to a couple of churches in each county. In Germany the rights of the Protestants are not likely to be encroached on, but it is not the same case in Hungary. In 1604 the Emperor Rudolph II. branded the Protestants as rebels, and threatened to 'annihilate' the Protestant Church. The Protestants then took up arms, and obtained a treaty of peace, which was signed at Vienna in 1606; but at present, as the *Oesterreichische Zeitung* triumphantly remarks, the citizens are unable to employ force in defence of their rights. In one respect the Patent of the 1st of September, and the Ministerial regulations which accompany the same, go further than did the Jesuits under the Emperors Rudolph II., Ferdinand II., Ferdinand III., Leopold I., and Charles VI. In those times the Hungarian Protestants were imprisoned, tortured, hanged, forced to change their religion, &c., but no attempt was ever made to interfere with the internal organisation of their church. In those times no one tried to impose principles and forms, according to which the Protestants had to regulate their ecclesiastical affairs. In a word, the '*jus circa sacra*' or '*jus supremæ inspectionis*,' was never employed in such a way as Count Thun (the Minister for Ecclesiastical Affairs) wishes to employ it. The State can, if it will, make concessions to the Protestant Church in external matters, but it has no right whatever to meddle with its internal constitution. The Roman Catholic Minister has not the shadow of a right to make regulations for the representation of the Protestant communities, for the Senioral and Distual Assemblies, for the election and attributes of the elders, clergy, &c. The Concordat with Rome refers to the external position of the Catholic Church, but certainly not to its internal organisation and constitution. The Protestant Church needs no Concordat with the State, as it is content with the rights and privileges which are secured to it by numerous treaties and laws (*Gesetz-Artikel*).

"The position of the Protestant Church in Hungary has not always been the same, but its internal organisation has never undergone any changes but those which, from time to time, have been made by its own members. As has already been said, the last Synod met in 1791, but as its resolutions were not confirmed by the State, the development of the Protestant Church has not been great during the last 60 or 70 years. In 1849 the Protestants were, as a matter of course, accused of being the originators of the revolution, and Haynau deposed the four Superintendents of the Evangelical Church, and also the general and district inspectors. Instead of the deposed Superintendents, the Government appointed administrators. The Protestants repeatedly, but in vain, protested against such arbitrary acts, and demanded from the Government the abolition of Haynau's ordinances. Instead of this the State, in 1856, presented them with an entirely new constitution. The eight superintendents at once rejected this 'octroi,' and petitioned the Emperor to place the Protestant Church in the position which it had occupied before the year 1848, and then to permit it to hold a Synod. A couple of years passed without anything being done by Government, but during the Italian war it became evident that it was absolutely necessary to do something, and the Patent Law of the 1st of September was therefore promulgated. The Hungarian Protestants almost unanimously rejected it, declaring that they would on no account forsake the historical basis on which the rights and privileges of their Church rested. 'If the Protestants should accept the new organisation they would in future be merely tolerated, but this will not suit them, as Protestant communities were established in Hungary before the house of Hapsburg had acquired sovereign rights in Hungary. His Majesty has the right of superintendence over the Protestant Church; in other words, he has a right to see that the Protestant Church does no injury to the State.' At present things stand thus:—The Imperial Patent and the Ministerial ordinances which accompanied it being in force, the representatives of the newly-formed superintendencies ought to meet, but they are not likely ever to do so, as the Protestants are resolved not to recognise the subdivision of their eight superintendencies. The old superintendencies would like to assemble, but as their doing so is prohibited, the 'Seniorats' will meet in order to enter their protests against the Patent Law. Should the meeting of the 'Seniorats' be prohibited, the several communities will assemble and petition his Majesty to place the Protestant Church in Hungary in the position to which it has an inalienable right."

The foregoing is a fair account of the merits of the Protestant question, but there is an impression on my mind that religion is used as a political lever in Hungary. If such is really the case it is the fault of Government, for it does not admit of a doubt that the Protestants would have proved to be most loyal and devoted subjects if they had been permitted to hold their Synod and to settle the internal affairs of their church in their own way.

On the 8th inst. the *Hirado*, which is published in Szegedin, in Hungary, received a written warning "for continually bringing invidious and violent articles, which are calculated to bring about a hostile feeling between the nationalities."

Persons who have seen and spoken to members of the Cabinet during the last few days say that they firmly believe that their new ordinances have done a great deal of good; but they would hardly entertain such an opinion if they could hear what passes in the city. The Government, by its "cowardly" ordinances, has lost the respect of the Viennese, who appear to pass a great part of their time in making ribald jokes at its expense. A person who came from Prague the day before yesterday states that the Bohemians are nearly as discontented as the Hungarians. Trade is everywhere stagnant, and the Bohemians doubtless find it very difficult to get money with which to pay their taxes.

It is at length settled that Count Rechberg is to be present at the opening of the Congress. Baron von Meysenbug, who went to Zurich with the late Count Colloredo, will also go to Paris, and remain there as second Plenipotentiary when the Minister-Pesident returns to Vienna. The day for the departure of Count Rechberg is not yet fixed, but he will probably leave for Paris soon after New Year's-day.

There is a great agitation in Baden against the Concordat, although two-thirds of the inhabitants of that Grand Duchy are Roman Catholics. It daily becomes more evident that the wholesale importation of Jesuits into Germany has given great offence to its enlightened inhabitants.

* "Feig," is the word invariably employed.

THE DELIGHTS OF DEMERARA.—The men in Demerara are never angry, and the women are never cross. Life flows along on a perpetual stream of love, smiles, champagne, and small talk. Everybody has enough of everything. The only persons who do not thrive are the doctors; and for them, as the country affords them so little to do, the local government, no doubt, provides liberal pensions. The form of government is a mild despotism, tempered by sugar. The governor is the father of his people, and the governor's wife the mother. The colony forms itself into a large family, which gathers itself together peaceably under parental wings. They have no noisy sessions of Parliament as in Jamaica, no money squabbles as in Barbadoes. A clean bill of health, a surplus in the colonial treasury, a rich soil, a thriving trade, and a happy people. These are the blessings which attend the fortunate man who has cast his lot on this prosperous shore. Such is Demerara as it is made to appear to a stranger.—*Mr. Trollope's West Indies.*

THE ROYAL CHARTER.—We learn from the the *Manchester Guardian* of Wednesday, than the steam-tug Fury arrived at Liverpool on Tuesday from Moelfre, having on board £70,000 worth of gold, recovered from the wreck of the Royal Charter. On Monday the recovered from the wreck consisted of 540lb. of gold coin, 40 ingots of gold, 256½ sovereigns, 47 rupees, 38lb of gold dust, five bars of gold, and one cup ingot and a piece of iron plate, with part of a bar of gold and some sovereigns drived into it, which latter, it is observed, "is a great curiosity." It is said that about £72,000 worth of the precious metal remains to be recovered.

Mr. R. A. Benson has declined to contest Reading in the Conservative interest. The Conservatives, however, are resolved not to allow Sir Francis Goldsmid to have a walk-over.

TO THE DISAFFECTED SUBJECTS OF THE QUEEN, RESIDENT IN IRELAND, INCLUDING THE BANISHED JOHN MITCHEL, RESIDENT IN FRANCE.

ADMONITION OF THE DUBLIN PROTESTANT ASSOCIATION.

Fellow-Countrymen,—If we were to address you as "Slaves and traitors," as, in fact, we thought of doing, that plainness of speech might be justified by simple truth. But, then, it might offend you, and stop your ears to the reading of these statements, to which we would crave your attention. Hence we abstain, and say Fellow-Countrymen, hear us. Traitors to a tyrant, an usurper, an ensanguined murderer, if such there were governing a noble and a truth-loving nation, might be heroic in their purposes and martyrs in their souls; but you are traitors to a Queen who is a paragon of virtue; to a Constitution which is a miracle of liberty; and the reason why you revert to treason to gain your ends is simply because you know that the arguments of reason, the facts of history, and the Word of God must for ever prevent you from succeeding by honourable means. But let us see what you demand—what, by means of the invading French, you hope to obtain.

1st. *You desire the overthrow of the Established Church.* Now, hear us patiently. We are an association of Protestants, by the united suffrages of the freely convoked Protestants of Dublin, in public and lawful meeting, now established eighteen years. We have the honour to have at our head some of the greatest men, whether as regards nobility of station greatness of fortune, or magnificence of intellectual gifts, in the United Kingdom; and we pledge ourselves, as an association, to use our utmost power to aid you to pull down and overthrow the Established Church, if you can prove by reason and Scripture that it ought to fall. That it is by law established is a fact we glory in; but we glory in the fact of a legal establishment, not because it is legal, but because, being legal, law is, in this case, accordant with Scripture, reason, and propriety. We are no lovers of establishments merely legal. If legality be counter to equity and true religion, we lift up our voice our voice against it. Maynooth College is established by law, Roman Catholic chaplains in the army and navy are established by law. But both these institutions, and many of the same sort, are established against truth, and against the principles professed by the State. Nay, the doctrines taught by them are denounced by laws antecedent to those which establish them, as idolatrous, calamitous, and unprincipled. Hence we denounce these establishments as forms of iniquity; and we demand the repeal of the laws that support and sustain, and of those which established them. Prove them Christian, and we shall stand by them for ever. Prove the establishment of our Church wrong in reason or principle, and we shall aid you to demolish it.

Now, we contend that the Established Church of Ireland—that branch of the Church of Great Britain and Ireland established in Ireland—is at present one of the most glorious objects in the whole world. This Church was founded by Christian missionaries from Continental Europe about two centuries before Augustine was sent by Pope Gregory to preach the Romish faith in England. It had neither connection with, nor dependence on, the Church of Rome. It maintained a due Apostolic authority in its Irish prelacy for near a thousand years. This was a grievous wrong in the eyes of the Pope; and he commissioned Henry II., King of England, to invade, overrun, and conquer our country, in order to bring it into subjection to the Church of Rome. For this purpose the Pope blessed the invading army; and with this view Strongbow, and his English army, conquered Ireland, and the English wrought so effectually to win the Irish to the Pope, that at last they succeeded, and Ireland became Popish throughout. The old Irish Church of St. Patrick, in short, thus fell under the yoke of the Popes of Rome, even as the country itself fell under the political power of England. So it continued for some years.

At length, Ralph, Archbishop of Armagh, had his eyes opened to discover that the whole Romish system was deeply corrupted by falsehood and idolatry; and he began to preach these reformed doctrines. Mind, it was he, Ralph, Primate of all Ireland, and a Newry man, who began the great reformation. He converted Wickliffe, Rector of Lutterworth. He aroused all Europe by his powerful preaching, which derived vast force from his eminent ecclesiastical rank, and he became the first great leader in that wondrous revival of religion, which was ultimately crowned with world-wide success through the powerful operation on mankind of the gigantic mind of Luther. But we repeat, that ecclesiastical history marks Ralph of Newry, Archbishop of Armagh, and Primate of all Ireland, as the first eminent ecclesiastical reformer. Our great Irish Ralph was poisoned at Rome, being, as he was there pronounced, a dangerous firebrand. However, the candle that Wickliffe lit from the torch of this Irish prelate burnt brightly and clearly, and after illuminating multitudes of the English, at last Providence allowed the growth of a quarrel between Pope Leo X., and the English King to end in the prevalence of the reformed doctrines, and the whole English Church flung off the yoke of Rome. England, when reformed, pronounced the Pope Antichrist, and all the Irish prelates, with the exception of two only, and a greater proportion of the then clergy, accepted the Reformation, returned to those original principles from which English influence had withdrawn them for a while, and remembering that their own revered primate had headed the movement, continued to diffuse those original principles of Scripture and of truth that had been preached at the beginning in our country. Now, from these reformed Irish clergy and hierarchy the present bishops and clergy of the Irish Church inherit authority and independence, and with it they faithfully preach against the immigrant priests of Rome that reformed truth which is demonstrably right by the infallible Word of God.

When the Pope at the Reformation saw himself forsaken in Ireland by the old church of the country, he foisted into this country seminary priests and a surreptitious prelacy to seduce back the people to his yoke.

England did not give our clergy their property; it had a foundation in Irish law ere Englishmen had a foot upon our soil. Why should you expect England to become guilty of a spoliation that would be without warrant, justification, or pretence?

You say the people hold the Romish faith: the greater reason the maintenance of the old church to teach them doctrines that may save their souls; for we are prepared to prove that the doctrines of the Romish Church cannot do that—that they are quite as pernicious as they are by law proclaimed to be. Our clergy all challenge counterproof. Let it be given [and the church shall be yours]; but if you think by French cavalry and French sabres to wrest judgment, and trample upon right, on truth, and on God's church, we, the Irish Protestants, will stand against you once again, as our fathers did at Derry, Aughrim, and the Boyne; and, God being our helper, we will conquer you and your Frenchmen as James II., Sarsfield, and St. Ruth were conquered in immortal battlefields, and drive you and them once more into the sea; yes, because "the Lord of Hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge."

In Ireland we have a Church, united, faithful, hand to hand, and foot to foot, in spiritual warfare with a world-wide antagonism; and though English authority have frowned on our zeal, and rewarded our faithfulness with disqualification, penury, and distress, we will not, because we dare not, abandon our principles.

And we tell you, and the Emperor of the French, that an attack on the Irish Church, if made, will end in the destruction of you both.

2nd. But we are told you wish also, by an invasion, to abolish the National System of Education. Well, we have been aiming to accomplish that object by due course of law for well nigh thirty years. We trust that England may take a lesson from both of us in the next Session of Parliament, and thus be induced, as of old, to make policy the instrument of principle and of truth; to make the reading of God's Word imperative in every National School. Then will those taught in them grow up into good Christians and loyal subjects of the Queen, and those who will be ignorant let them be ignorant still. At present she educates a population without any sense of religion, and she has her reward. It is their inspirations which infuriate the French colonels, and entail on her the uneasiness of apprehension, and the expense of a state of virtual war. But,

3rd. You would rob the existing proprietors of the Irish soil. John Mitchel, mark our words. You are not half so likely, by a French invasion, to win an Irish estate as the Comte de Paris or the Duke de Chambord; one or other is thereby to become adorned with a French crown. It hath happened, ere now, that he that hath digged a pit for his neighbour hath fallen into the midst of it himself, and the engineer been hoist by his own petard.

But, banished, exile, and disaffected Roman Catholics, you are our countrymen still. You complain of the British Government, or rather of the Government of the United Kingdom. Thank God, we live under a Queen of Ireland, and under a Legislature in which we may exercise a potent sway. Have you looked at home? Are you right with God? Have you a "Thus saith the Lord" as the warrant of your expectations and the justification of your plans? We are sure you have not. Then would we exhort you to go there—you know where—thereby to modify your schemes and regulate your hearts, and you will discover at the latter end that to govern and enlighten yourselves will be more heroic than to plot for the destruction of an empire; and succeeding in that home work, you will wisely abandon your chimerical projects, and henceforth devote yourselves to fear God and honour the Queen.—We remain, your true friends, to advise and assist, or resist you, as the case may be.—Signed on behalf of the meeting.

EDWARD GROGAN, Chairman.

The Surrey Music Hall being now opened on Sunday evenings for the performance of music, although chiefly sacred, Mr. Spurgeon has declined to preach there again. He will commence preaching on Sunday morning next at Exeter Hall, and continue to do so every Sunday until further notice.

EMPLOYMENT FOR THE BLIND.—It appears from the last census that there are 30,000 blind persons in England, of whom 24,000, or more, have no means of subsistence beyond the scanty and precarious earnings of their hands, or are dependent upon public support. There are twenty-one charitable institutions for the benefit of the blind in the United Kingdom, of which our own "School for the Blind" is the oldest; but in all these institutions together there is not room for more than 1,200 or 1,300. Important as it is to teach them trades, something more is required to meet the disadvantages under which a blind workman labours. To provide against these difficulties, a blind lady (daughter of the Bishop of Chichester) founded an institution in the Euston-road, London, which has been described as "an obscure, little brush, mat, and basket shop," which is overlooked by a blind superintendent, and conducted wholly by blind work people. It has been in operation for eighteen months, has been endowed by the benevolent foundress and handed over to an association for promoting the general welfare of the blind. The object of the institution is to give employment to blind men and women at the various trades which they have acquired, and provides them with the raw material at the wholesale cost price, or below, and the little Euston-road shop affords them a place for the sale of their goods. It is to be hoped that a similar institution will be established in Liverpool, where it is much needed. There are upwards of 600 blind persons in the town.—*Liverpool Albion.*

Every one who moves about in society, and keeps his eyes open, knows that cheap newspapers are as truly and as proudly characteristic of our national progress as cheap travelling or cheap postage, the steam engine or the electric telegraph. To suppose that dear newspapers are necessarily better than cheap newspapers, betrays the same stupidity and ignorance as to believe that stage coaches were better than railways, and manual labour than machinery.—*Star.*

Law Intelligence.

COURT OF CHANCERY—YESTERDAY.

Dwyer v. Moore.

The petition in this case was filed to compel the respondent specifically to perform his agreement for a lease of certain lands in the county Tipperary. It appeared that the petitioner was the tenant of the respondent, who resides in Liverpool, for a considerable quantity of land, as appertinent to some of which the petitioner had a right of common which bordered on the estate. A negociation was entered into between the parties, which had for its basis that the petitioner was to forego his right to commonage, on the condition of his getting a new lease of the lands in his possession, at a reduced rent. This proposition was refused by the respondent, and after a protracted correspondence on the subject the respondent intimated that he would raise the rent of the lands which the petitioner held to the sum specified in his lease, unless he gave up the commonage. An interview took place between them, at which the petitioner al eged his proposition was accepted, the only difference between them being as to the amount of reduced rent which was to be paid. The respondent contended that this was not a correct account of the transaction, and that the abated rent to which he consented, on the condition of the plaintiff giving up his right of commonage, was the sum of £3 18s. on the gross rental.

The Lord Chancellor said that he had come to the conclusion the petitioner had not made out his case; but he did not think that the respondent had acted in such a way as to entitle him to costs.

Counsel for the petitioner—Messrs. Whiteside, Q.C., Lawson, Q.C., and Stephens. For the respondent—Messrs. Brewster, Q.C., Sullivan, Q.C., Harris, Q.C., and Murphy.

ROLLS COURT—YESTERDAY.

Fry v. Leeson.

Messrs. J. E. Walsh, Q.C., M. A. Lawson, Q.C., and Bleckham, appeared for the petitioner.

Messrs. Brewster, Q.C., Chatterton, Q.C., and Walter, represented the respondent.

The petitioner was one of the creditors of Mr. Robert Marshall Leeson, and the cause petition had been filed on his behalf to have a declaration of the court that there had not been an entire and perfect sale of a certain house, situate in Stephen's-green, in Dublin, to Sir Wm. Leeson, but that it had been merely mortgaged to him. The petitioner also sought a declaration that Sir William Leeson was the sole trustee of his brother. The defence was, that an absolute sale for £1,000 had taken place. It appeared that it had been represented by the attorney for the insolvent, Mr. Leeson, that a communication had been received by him (Mr. Leeson) from Sir William Leeson, in which the latter said he was only his trustee.

His Honour, after some argument, said he was disposed to let the case stand over for a *viva voce* examination of the solicitor. The difficulty he (Master of the Rolls) had in the case was, that the petitioner's solicitor had not been examined in reference to what had become of the letter mentioned.

Mr. Chatterton, Q.C., on behalf of the respondent, stated, in the course of his arguments, that his client, Sir Wm. Leeson, had sworn in his affidavit that he did not believe nor recollected having written any such letter.

His Honour said he would consider his decision.

COURT OF EXCHEQUER—YESTERDAY.

SITTINGS IN BANCO.

(Before Mr. Baron Greene, Mr. Baron Fitzgerald, and Mr. Baron Hughes.)

Watson v. Atlantic Mail Steam Navigation Company.

This was an application on behalf of the plaintiff that the conditional order dated the 25th November, 1859, should be made absolute, notwithstanding the cause shown.

The case was allowed to stand over till next term—the parties being desirous of having the opinion of the full court upon the motion.

Counsel for the plaintiff—Messrs. Macdonough, Q.C., and W. T. O'Driscoll.

Counsel for the defendant—Mr. Samuel Ferguson, Q.C.

Thomas Parker v. John Orrell Lever.

This was a motion for liberty to proceed to trial, notwithstanding the consent-order of the 3rd March, 1859, which had referred the cause to arbitration, inasmuch as the reference had proved abortive, or that John S. Mansfield, Esq., stipendiary magistrate of Liverpool, or such other person as the court might be pleased to name, might be appointed the third arbitrator, under the consent-order, in the room of James Kennedy Blair, who had refused to act and also that the time for the arbitrators making their award might be extended.

Mr. Serjeant Fitzgibbon, Q.C., and Theobald Purcell, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Richard Armstrong, Q.C., and S. Ferguson, Q.C., for the defendant.

It appeared that a cross-notice had been served on the part of the defendant, requiring that, within reasonable time, the plaintiff should furnish certain specified information to him (the defendant.)

Mr. J. M. Cantwell stated to the court that he was authorised by the English solicitors of his client to inform their lordships that Mr. Alexander Young, of the firm of Coleman, Turquand, Young, and Co., London, auditors of the Bank of England, was willing to act as third arbitrator under the consent-order.

Upon this statement the Court made the following order—"That the said Mr. Young be appointed third arbitrator in the room of Mr. Blair, and as if he had been named by the two arbitrators already appointed under the provisions of the consent; and that the time for making the award be extended to the 1st day of February, 1860, and that the defendant do, within ten days from the presentdate, furnish to the plaintiff a consent of Mr. Young to act as arbitrator, and, in default thereof, that the plaintiff be at liberty to proceed to trial, notwithstanding the consent order, and in the event of Mr. Young consenting to act, that the costs of the motion be costs in the cause; but, if he refuse to act, that the defendant do pay to the plaintiff the costs of the motion." The court also directed that the defendant's motion to compel the plaintiff to furnish specified information should stand over to next term, in the event of the arbitration under this order not proceeding.

Sawyer v. Norris.

Counsel applied in this case, on the part of the defendant, that the charging-order made by Mr. Baron Hughes, in November last, might be discharged, with costs, on the ground that the plaintiff had forfeited his right to obtain same by reason of his having taken the body of the defendant in execution, and because the court had no jurisdiction to make said order as against any funds standing in the books of the Bank of Ireland to the credit of the Judges of the Landed Estates Court, Ireland.

Messrs. Charles Andrews, Q.C., Carr, and Coates, appeared for the plaintiff. Messrs. W. W. Brereton, Q.C., and Exham, for the defendant.

The arguments in the case stand adjourned to the first day of next term.

COURT OF EXCHEQUER—YESTERDAY.

SITTINGS AT NISI PRIUS.

(Before the Chief Baron and a Special Jury.)

Ryan v. Malcolmson and others.

The facts of this case have been reported upon former occasions. The present was the third trial of the action, and came before the court and jury on an order of the court above, dated 21st June, which had set aside the verdict had for the plaintiff at the after sittings following Easter Term, 1859, on the ground of misdirection, on the part of the learned judge, the Chief Baron, before whom the case had been tried, and because of the admission of illegal evidence, and the rejection of legal evidence, and also because such verdict was obtained by surprise. The second trial had proved abortive, the jury having been discharged without agreeing. Under these circumstances the present trial of the issue was commenced.

Mr. Serjeant O'Hagan, Q.C., and Messrs. Macdonough, Q.C., and John O'Hagan, appeared for the plaintiff.

Messrs. J. E. Walsh, Q.C., Thomas Harris, Q.C., and William Ryan, for the defendants.

Serjeant O'Hagan stated the plaintiff's case. He said he was a provision merchant, carrying on business in Waterford, and the defendants were the proprietors of certain steam vessels trading as the "Waterford Steampacket Company." In the month of May, 1858, the London factor of the plaintiff, Mr. Keating, received instructions from the plaintiff to sell fifty bales of bacon, to be shipped on the 22nd then instant. In compliance with these directions the bacon was sold to the firm of Fitch, Wheeler and Co., and the bill of lading was forwarded by the plaintiff to his factor, by whom it was endorsed as "for A. Ryan, James Keating," and handed over to the buyers. It appeared that the Messrs. Malcolmson and Co., on the ground that they did not know whether the endorsement was authorised or not, refused to deliver up the bacon, which then lay in their stores from the 8th May, 1858, until 4th February, 1859, at which time it was delivered to Mr. Keating, very much deteriorated in value, having sold for £1 5s. per cwt., instead of £3 8s.; thus occasioning a loss to the plaintiff of £248 14s. 9d. The plaintiff now sought damages to the amount of £350 for the value of 50 bales of bacon, containing 118 cwt., sold at the price of £3 8s. per cwt., on the 22nd of May, 1858. The summons and plaint averred that the bill of lading had been signed by Mr. Keating, as factor for the plaintiff, and by his authority to the Messrs. Fitch, Wheeler, and Co. The defence was, that the defendant, had not received notice of the due endorsement of the bill of lading by the plaintiff, or some person shown to them to have authority.

Evidence of no public interest having been entered into on behalf of the plaintiff,

Mr. J. E. Walsh, Q.C., stated the defendants' case, which had not concluded when his lordship rose.

The case of Swallow v. Chaytor will be taken up on Monday morning.

Gerity v. Cuthbert.

The jury in this case were discharged without finding a verdict.

COURT OF BANKRUPTCY AND INSOLVENCY—YESTERDAY.

(Before Judge Berwick.)

In the matter of P. H. Aholer.

The bankrupt in this case carried on the business of a merchant tailor in Sackville-street, and the meeting was for final examination. The bankrupt having been examined, the further hearing was adjourned to the first day of next term.

Agent—Mr. P. Delaney.

In re W. Lennon.

In this case the bankrupt was a hardware merchant in New-row West, and the meeting was for proof of debts. Mr. Thomas Seery claimed upon a bond which the bankrupt had executed to him for money advanced. The claim was resisted on the ground that the deed was executed to secure the repayment of a marriage portion given by the claimant to his daughter, who was married to the bankrupt.

Mr. Seery having been examined,

Mr. Heron said, that from the examination he was satisfied that the claim could not be resisted, but he objected to the amount which was sought to be charged for interest.

The Court admitted the claim, disallowing the interest.

Mr. Serjeant Fitzgibbon appeared on behalf of the claimant, and Mr. D. C. Heron for the assignees.

Agent—Mr. J. K. Purcell.

In re Hare.

The bankrupt was a hotel-keeper at Queenstown. The case came before the court on a former day, on charge and discharge, and was adjourned for decision on certain questions raised. The claimants in the case, who were the trustees of Mrs. Barry, had, it appeared, advanced £800, on the security of a deed of assignment of the bankrupt's furniture. The deed was registered, and the description of the attesting witness, was simply described as of Cork. It was contended the assignees were entitled to resist the claim, on the ground that this was not a proper bill of sale, from insufficiency of description. This view was opposed by counsel for the claimant, who insisted that, as the creditors had been parties to the transfer, they could not now resist the proof in respect of it.

Judge Berwick said he would be disposed to give the claimants relief, but he could not do so without overruling well established decisions. He should, accordingly, refuse the claim.

CITY SESSIONS COURT—YESTERDAY.

The Right Honourable the Recorder resumed business in the above court yesterday.

EMBEZZLEMENT.—George E. Feely was indicted for having at different times, embezzled various sums of money, the property of Mr. William Thomas, delf and china merchant, Wellington-quay, in whose employment he had been.

The prisoner pleaded not guilty, and was defended by Messrs. Curran and Sidney. Mr. Coates, instructed by Mr. Chas. Fitzgerald, sen., appeared for the prosecution.

Mr. Thomas, having been sworn, and examined by Mr. Coates, deposed that the prisoner had been for some years in his employment, in the capacity of clerk, at a salary which commenced at £1 5s. a week, and which was gradually raised to £2. Three several sums of money—viz., £2 3s. 6d., £3 7s. 11d., and £3—were due to witness, and never accounted for by the prisoner.

Mr. Curran cross-examined the witness as to whether there were other persons in his employment who had received money and had access to his books?

Witness replied that there had been.

Mr. Curran—Did you ever discount bills for the prisoner?

Witness—He gave me bills for money which he owed me, but never gave me his name for my accommodation independently of his debt; he owed me the money for goods which he took out of the shop, and for a sum of money which he once received and forgot to hand in; he also gave me a bill for goods which he sold to a party whom I did not know; he also opened an account himself in my books; I knew of that account existing before I made the present charge; I found out that the £2 3s. 6d. was paid about the end of October, and the £3 in the month of November; he was in my employment until 3rd November; I did not make a compromise to stop so much per week for these sums, but £1 a week was stopped for something else.

Mr. Curran—After you discovered the £2 3s. 6d., did you not accept £1 per week?

Witness—Per